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King Hassan II, right, welcoming Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, left, and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres to Morocco on Tuesday.

### Clinton's Peace Role Just Beginning

By R.W. Apple Jr. New York Tunes Service

INTERNATIONS

( period)

WASHINGTON - As he himself said, it was not Bill Clinton's day. It was not he who had brought together the sober old soldier and the grinning guerrilla fighter in the leafy calm of the South Lawn of the White House, far from the battlefields of the Middle East, for a paean

However deft, however sagacious, he was but the master of ceremonies. He thanked those who had labored to bring about the latest in a series of once-inconceivable chang remade the world in five short years. He bestowed the congratulations of the world's only SUDETDOWER.

And he gave Yitzhak Rabin a timely little nudge when he seemed reluctant to grasp the

outstretched hand of Yasser Arafat. Now, though, President Clinton will have to

ward a comprehensive peace settlement is not the inchoate entity called Palestine, and it has to be lost. That is likely to be a long messy job the main responsibility for fostering Israeli of diplomatic donkey work in the dark corners agreements with its other neighbors while deepof history - much less gratifying than Monday's carefully scripted pageant. Israel and Jordan are moving forward. But

the other Arab nations whose representatives

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watched Monday's ocremony from the front rows know that only the United States can provide the impetus needed for the next round of negotiations. Mr. Arafat spoke for them, too, when he said his people "are relying on your role, Mr. President," to "usher in an age of

So this president, who so longs to concentrate on problems at home, is thrust like so many of his predecessors into an international arena not of his choosing. Along with the rest of assume the central role if the momentum to- the world, the United States has a new ward.

ening the one with the Palestinians. He will perhaps take considerable heat from American Jews in the process, which he did not have to endure this time. Neither Mr. Clinton nor any other U.S. presi-

dent has ever wanted to do business with Mr. Arafat and the Palestine Liberation Organization. As Mr. Rabin, the Israeli prime minister, said in one of his many moments of eloquence

But in the end, if rebellions succeed, or even end in stalemate, the rebels win a place at the

The United States will have to do its utmost to make this accord work. That means, first and foremost, helping to persuade ordinary Israelis See CLINTON, Page 7

### Poll in U.S. Finds 80% Approval

WASHINGTON - Americans overwhelmingly approve the Israeli-Palestinian peace pact but oppose giving U.S. economic aid to the Palestinians, according to a poll published Tuesday.

It also showed President Bill Clinton's

iob approval rating was more positive than negative for the first time since early May. Forty-seven percent of respondents approved of his performance and 42 percent

On the peace pact, 80 percent favored the agreement that was signed by Israel and Palestine Liberation Organization at the White House on Mouday. Twelve percent opposed and 8 percent had no opinion, according to the Cable News Net-work/USA Today newspaper/Gallup Poll. While most Americans like the agree-

ment, 65 percent opposed giving U.S. economic aid to the Palestinians while 30 percent favored such assistance. Five percent had no opinion.

### A Pledge to Negotiate Rabin, Pressing Peace Effort,

Courts King Hassan in Morocco RABAT, Morocco - Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin conferred here Tuesday with King Hassan II as Israel pressed its peace offensive in the Arab world after reaching a break-through agreement with the Palestine Libera-

Israeli officials said the visit was intended as a step toward diplomatic relations with Morocco and a rapprochement with other

Arab nations.

We hope and believe that it is possible to expand the network of relations between Arab countries and the Arab world," Mr. Rabin said before meeting the king for more than an hour at the royal palace near Rabat. Expanding ties with the Arab world, which has boycotted Israel and tried to isolate it, would give Mr. Rabin a quick boost at home. His governing coalition is shaky, and skepticism is still widespread after Israel signed an agreement Monday with the PLO on limited Palestinian self-rule in the territories occu-

pied by Israel. In his arrival speech, Mr. Rabin did not mention the possibility that Morocco might become the second Arab nation, after Egypt,

to establish diplomatic ties with Israel. But earlier, during his flight aboard an Israeli Air Force plane from Washington to Rabat, he had said the visit "perhaps is an-

other step forward" toward such ties. The Israeli economic affairs minister, Shimon Shetreet, asked in Jerusalem by Israeli radio whether Israel and Morocco would an-

"It is nearly certain that this will happen."

But Israeli officials said reports that Moroccan-Israeli recognition would be announced during Mr. Rabin's visit, or that he also would visit Tunisia, were "nonsense." The prime minister, questioned shoard the plane, said the visit was not intended to proclaim the establishment of diplomatic re-

Israel and Jordan Sign

"But the fact that from Washington we are coming to Rabat and meeting with the king perhaps is another step forward in everything

that is linked to establishing relations," he Hassan, who has ruled Morocco since 1961, is head of the Islamic Conference Orga-

nization's Jerusalem committee. The status of Jerusalem was not resolved in the Israeli-PLO agreement and remains a sensitive issue that could slow down the normalization of Israel's relations with Arab

Mr. Rabin said he had stopped in Morocco to pay respects to Hassan's contributions to the Middle East peace process.

"I believe that this visit was one of the many great things done by King Hassan II to advance peace between the Arab nations and peoples and Israel," Mr. Rabin said.

The Israeli leader, accompanied by Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, was met by Prime Minister Mohammed Karim Lamrani and other cabinet officials. The Israelis received a full military welcome.

After the meeting at the king's palace, the Israeli delegation was taken to Casablanca to visit the huge Hassan II Mosque. Israeli officials said relations with Tunisia

would come soon if Israel and Morocco established ties. A snowball effect appeared to extend beyond the Arab world, with Zimbabwe reportedly announcing that it planned to establish ties with Israel.

In Jerusalem, Arych Deri, a Knesset member and leader of the Moroccan community in Israel, said Mr. Rabin would invite Hassan to Israel.

Morocco traditionally has been more conciliatory than other Arab nations in its approach to Israel.

Morocco is only the second Arab country after Egypt to receive openly an Israeli prime minister. When he was prime minister, Mr. Peres made a private but publicized visit i Morocco in 1986 and met Hassan.

Several Israeli officials have met with the king, at first secretly and in recent years

In October 1976, Mr. Rabin, in his first term as prime minister, traveled to Morocco, disguised with a mustache and thick glasses,

for a secret meeting with Hassan.

During that two-day visit, the two leaders discussed opening a channel to talk peace with Egypt, which eventually became the first Arab country to sign a peace treaty with Israel, in 1979. (AP, Reuters, AFP)

### Agenda Sets Out Range of Issues To Be Resolved

By Paul F. Horvitz

WASHINGTON - Adding momentum to the reconciliation process in the Middle East. Jordan and Israel signed a document Tuesday that commits each nation to detailed negotiations aimed at a comprehensive peace treaty.

The "common agenda," signed in a brief ceremony at the U.S. State Department, requires the two longtime enemies and neighbors to tackle a broad array of issues, including their common border, water rights, economic development, refugees and security.

Significantly, the agenda states that the goal of the forthcoming talks, which could take years to complete, is the achievement of a "just, lasting and comprehensive peace between the Arab states, the Palestinians and Israel." The agenda suggests no timetable.

According to many analysts, Jordan now has ioined the Palestine Liberation Organization and Israel in stepping across the same psychological chasm that has made the region a powder keg for decades.

Current and former high-ranking U.S. diplomats characterized the agenda as more than a mere list of topics but less than the lengthy Declaration of Principles signed Monday by Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization. They noted that Israel had reportedly agreed to withdraw from two small, disputed strips of land from which guerrillas in Jordan had launched attacks on Israelis.

A buoyant Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher, who jointly played host to the ceremony with a top-ranking Russian official, said the agenda "will give a strong impetus, a strong momentum" to all the talks under way between Israel and its Arab rivals.

The ceremony Monday, he said, had "forever altered the contours and chemistry of the entire

Assistant Secretary of State Edward P. Djerejian said the Jordanian-Israeli document was uniquely specific about the issues to be discussed They include for example, terrorism. weapons of mass destruction, sharing water in the Jordan River basin, environmental improvements, tourism and setting out a new international boundary along their 400 miles (650 kilometers) of common border.

"I wouldn't sell this agreement between Jordan and Israel too short," former Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d said. Israeli withdrawal from the strips of land sets "a good precedent," he said.

Befitting the new day in Israeli-Arab relations, Israel's chief negotiator in the Jordanian talks spoke in unusually warm tones of Jordan's

King Hussein and of the kingdom's negotiating "We have great respect for Jordan, for his

majesty, the king, and the government's efforts towards democratization," said the Israeli, See JORDAN, Page 7

### More Bad News for Japan's Economy

By Steven Brull

TOKYO — Casting fresh doubt on the Japanese economy's prospects for quick recovery, the government reported Tuesday that the nation's economy shrank at a 2.0 percent annual rate in the second quarter of this year.

The report of the contraction in the gross national product, the broadest measure of a nation's output of goods and services, coincided with an announcement that Japan's trade surplus expanded 7.5 percent in August to \$7.54 billion.

The numbers added to a string of indicators in revent weeks that portray an economy slip-ping into lower gear, increasingly at risk of the wrath of trading partners and further appreciation of the yen. They also underscore the power of deflationary pressures weighing down the economy after the speculative excesses of the

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Airbus Lands Badly

In Warsaw, 42 Hurt

WARSAW (AP) — A Luftbansa Airbus

A-320 jetliner carrying 70 people ran off a

runway, broke in two and caught fire try-

ing to land in the rain at the international

airport here Tuesday. More than 42 people

Initial reports indicated there were no

fatalities, but Lufthansa officials said later

that two people - one of the two pilots

and a German passenger - were unac-

counted for. The flight had taken off from

long-awaited pump-priming package due on Thursday can do more than prevent a more pronounced decline.

"it's hard to put these numbers in a positive light," Peter Morgan, senior economist at Merrill Lynch in Japan, told Bloomberg Business News. "With GNP contracting and the trade surplus rising, everything's going the wrong

The economic stimulation program, expected to boast a headline figure of up to 6 trillion yen (\$56.6 billion), will earmark funds for public works spending and low-interest loans to help home buyers and small companies. The spending will be coupled with plans to deregulate the economy, promote imports and pass on the benefits of the strong yen to consumers. Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa, who will hold his first summit meeting with President Bill Clinton later this month, will point to the program

as strong medicine to revive the languid Japa-

Private-sector economists, however, say the real impact of the program will be a fraction of the advertised figure, perhaps as little as 1

The package will provide a safety net and probably prevent a deeper slide, but it's mostly just announcement effect, said Mineko Sa-saki-Smith, chief economist in Tokyo for Morgan Stanley & Co. "It won't be sufficient to convince the Americans that things will

Doubts about the forthcoming program are widespread. This is in part because spending packages over the past 13 months, which pumped a purported 23.9 trillion yen into the economy, have failed to offset the strong deflationary pressures set off by the bursting of

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### Paris Vows to Block Trade Talks If It Can't Limit Film Imports

Compiled by Our Stoff From Dispatcher
PARIS — France opened a second front in its offensive against efforts to liberalize world trade on Tuesday, threatening to veto a GATT agreement if it removed France's barriers to American films and television soap operas.

Culture Minister Jacques Toubon was quoted as saying that France would refuse to sign any accord that dismantled limits on imports of American films and television pro-

The French rules are intended to promote European culture and the film industry by restricting viewing of cheap television series imported mainly from the United States. France had already threatened to veto a U.S.-European Community farm trade accord that is aimed at unblocking the long trade negotiations

under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

"GATT rules are not compatible with an autonomous cultural system," Mr. Toubon

Europe imports \$3.8 billion worth of audiovisual products every year, largely from the United States, and exports only \$250 million worth, he said. Meanwhile, the foreign minister of Belgium,

Willy Claes, said Tuesday that no progress had been made in ending the dispute over the agricultural accord, known as Blair House, after talks in Washington.

"The situation is not at all easy," said Mr. Claes, whose country now holds the EC presi-See GATT, Page 12

SUPPORT FOR CLINTON — Three former American presidents — from left, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter and George Bush joining Bill Clinton at the White House on Tuesday to lend their support to the North American Free Trade Agreement. Page 3.

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were injured.

Germany's economy shrank in the first half, but its trade surplus grew. Page 11. Spain and the EC ended a steel subsidies Page 13.

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### 9th Tourist Is Killed in Florida

MONTICELLO, Florida - Robbers attacked a British couple at a highway rest area near here Tuesday, killing the man and, wounding his companion, authorities said.

It was the second fatal attack on foreigners in Florida in a week and the ninth in a year. The victims, in an unmarked rental car, apparently were chosen at random.

The state offered a \$10,000 reward for

information in the case. The dead man was identified as Gary Colley, 34, of Wilsden, England. His companion was identified as Margaret Ann Jagger, 35, of the same town. She was released after hospital treatment. The two were attacked at a rest stop on

Interstate 10, in northern Florida. They were resting in their car when two youths ap-proached and asked for money. "They woke up and tried to back out," a police spokesman said. "That's when they were shot."

### Ants Make Fast Food of Amazon Town

By Don Podesta Washington Post Service

ENVIRA, Brazil - They're red and tiny and they attack vegetables, animals and people. They've killed chickens, ducks, even turtles. And they're driving this town deep in the Ama-

zon jungle to the point of despair. Fire ants believed to be of the species Solenopsis saevissima, whose Latin name roughly means "fierce ants," are eating up Envira, a tropical town of barefoot children and wooden houses on stilts on the banks of an Amazon River tributary. Just about everyone in town has been bitten, and several youngsters have been hospitalized with ant stings, which can be

The siege began more than three years ago and has been growing steadily worse. "Almost every family has had children attacked," said

The residents of this town of 6,800 people tried everything they could think of to get rid of the ants — boiling water, pesticides, gasoline, diesel fuel, fire. Nothing worked for very long. The ants continued to multiply, dotting the town with thousands of anthills.

Finally, earlier this year, the mayor asked the Brazilian government for help from outside, and the government turned to the U.S. Embassy in Brasilia. Last week, a three-man team from the U.S. Department of Agriculture arrived in Envira to study the ants and show residents how to spread a donated nontoxic chemical called Logic, supplied by the Swiss manufacturer Ciba-Geigy.

The ants can cause sung victims to go into anaphylactic shock, which is sometimes deadly.

People in the United States have died from one sting," a U.S. entymologist, David Williams, said. As he stirred an ant colony with a

stick to force them out, he was stung three times. "These ants are extremely quick," Mr. Williams said.

The ant toxin contains a small amount of protein, and "anytime a body is hit with a foreign protein, it reacts with a massive release of histamines," he said. The reaction can cause the victim's lungs to fill up and "you drown in your own fluids." Unlike honeybees, ants can sting hundreds of times.

While no one in Envira has died from the ant stings, living with the invaders is proving increasingly unbearable for local residents.

"Some nights you can't even sleep," said Mara de Lima, 17 Her cousin, Mariud de Lima, 18, said that she gets stung "every day, at any hour" and that "it hurts a lot." Youngsters in the street dis-

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### Olympic Vote Near, China Frees Editor

Washington Post Service
BEUING — China on Tuesday released its most prominent politi-cal prisoner. Wei Jingsbeng, who had served more than 14 years in prison, in an apparent attempt to bolster Beijing's chances of staging the 2000 Olympic Games.

An electrician who became famous for his eloquent appeals for democracy, Mr. Wei has become the foremost symbol of the humanrights struggle in China. He had edited a magazine that attacked Deng Xiaoping, China's senior leader, and was imprisoned in 1979

for "counterrevolutionary crimes." Mr. Wei, 43, described by the authorities as unrepentant, was held for long periods in solitary confinement. His release has long been sought by human-rights groups and Western governments, including the United States.

prison labor camp about 160 kilometers (100 miles) east of Beijing. His 15-year sentence had been due to expire in about six months.

The official Xinhua press agency said Mr. Wei was released Tuesday because he had "observed jail rules" during his imprisonment. But there is no doubt among analysts in Beijing that his release was aimed at improving China's hu-man-rights image abroad before the International Olympic Committee selects the host city for the 2000 Summer Games. The committee is to announce its decision in Monte Carlo on Sept. 23.

Beijing desperately wants to stage the Olympics, both to erase the blot on its image left by the crackdown on democracy demonstrators in 1989 and to affirm that China has arrived in the modern world.

"If Wei had been released a year ago, they could have earned some human-rights credit," said Robin Munro, a research with the rights group Asia Watch in Hong Kong.

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"But this is purely derived to get the right sort of headlines before the IOC decision."

China released several other prominent dissidents earlier this year and has allowed others to leave the country.

Mr. Wei's whereabouts and health were not immediately known. Xinhua said the prison had given him a "send-off lunch and sent him away in a car." It quoted Mr. Wei as telling prison workers he felt "very happy and healthy" after he was informed of his release. Videotape of his release provided by state-run television to foreign news organizations showed Mr. Wei, looking relatively healthy and heavy.

Mr. Wei, an electrician at the Beijing Zoo, came to prominence during the Democracy Wall Move-ment of 1978-1979, the first expression of political dissent after the He was freed on parole from a turbulent Cultural Revolution. On a stretch of wall in central Beijing that no longer exists, citizens aired complaints by putting up wall posters and political tracts.

Mr. Wei edited a magazine, Explorations, and wrote articles call-

ing for political freedoms. During his trial in October 1979, he was charged with providing mil-itary secrets — information about casualties in the Chinese-Vietnamese war - to a foreigner. But many analysts believe that his ultimate heresy was to personally attack Mr. Deng as "a new autocrat."

Until last year, Chinese authorities had refused to release any information about Mr. Wei. There were reports that he had become mentally disturbed, lost his hair and lost his teeth. But then the authorities disclosed that he was living at a prison farm and was

In March, the authorities made available to foreign journalists a videotape of Mr. Wei "touring" the northeastern industrial city of Tangshan in January.



TBILISI, Georgia - Lawmakers on Tuesday approved a two-month state of emergency in this former Soviet republic after the Georgian leader, Eduard A. Shevardnadze, angrily threatened to resign.

With more than 10,000 Shevardnadze supporters — many armed — massed outside the parliament building deputies approved a measure imposing emergency rule starting Monday. They planned to meet again Wednesday.

The action partly met two conditions Mr. Shevardnadze had set as conditions for withdrawing his resignation. The other was that the parliament dissolve for three months. "I cannot live in a country nadze told the cheering crowd.

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A Vietnamese vendor walking past the Hanoi office of a familiar American company. U.S. trade embargo was eased, but maintained.

### U.S. Relaxes, but Keeps, Hanoi Embargo

HANOI - Vietnam expressed disappointment Tuesday over President Bill Clinton's decision to loosen rather than end Washington's 18-year-old economic embargo against it, and it said U.S. business would be the loser.

Mr. Clinton relaxed sanctions Monday to allow U.S. companies to bid on Vietnamese projects financed by international lenders such as the World Bank.

He left other restrictions in place, "to make clear to the Vietnamese that more needs to be done" to help account for Americans still missing from the Vietnam War, Dee Dee Myers, the White House press secretary, said.

The embargo was originally imposed in 1975, after the Communist North defeated the South

and unified the country. Similar measures are maintained against North Korea and Cuba. In an official statement, Ho The Lan, spokeswoman for Vietnam's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, welcomed the relaxation but added that it was "regrettable" that the United States was

continuing the embargo policy.

While the statement described the embargo as a violation of Vietnam's "right to develop," it said American policy did not hinder Vietnam's strategy of economic renovation or its widening

international relations. "It only ties up the American business cir-cles, depriving them of a chance for equal competition in Vietnam," it said. Vietnamese officials had been hoping for a complete end to the embargo, saying they have

of 2,248 missing American servicemen.

Greig Craft, an American consultant in Vietnam for Motorola and Occidental Petroleum, said he was dismayed by the partial lifting. "It will only accelerate Vietnam's movement

cooperated fully in helping to resolve the cases

toward other countries and companies and will obviously mean lost opportunities for us," he

Mr. Craft predicted that tens of millions of dollars' worth of signed business contracts would disappear because the embargo would still prohibit U.S. companies in many industries

from fulfilling their commitments.

James Rockwell, a Hanoi-based consultant for Chrysler Corp. and other U.S. companies, said he would have preferred a total end to sanctions, but he added that Mr. Clinton's decision went a long way toward ending the

"Tm very encouraged," he said. "American companies can genuinely set up operations."

The Hanoi spokeswoman said Vietnam would continue to help resolve the cases of nissing Americans, and the commander of the U.S. MIA office in Hanoi, Lieutenant Colonel John Cray, commended the Vietnamese for their recent assistance.

#### ■ Third U.S. Modification

This is the third time in less than a year that a U.S. president has modified the sanctions against Vietnam in a compromise that attempt to reward Hanoi for its help on the MIA issue

while keeping up the pressure to do more, The Washington Post reported from Washington. President George Bush, just before leaving office, allowed U.S. firms to open offices in Vietnam and sign contracts to do business there once the embargo was lifted. In July, Mr. Clinton withdrew U.S. opposition to a French-Japanese loan that would allow Vietnam to pay off its overdue debt to the International Mone tary Fund and thus become eligible for loans from the World Bank Those steps were criticized by some family

groups, veterans organizations and members of Congress who believe that Vietnam is hiding secrets about the servicemen still listed as missing. But they were also criticized as insufficient by business groups seeking the right to partici-pate in the fast-growing Vietnamese market.

The emotionally charged issue of the MIAs is the last remaining obstacle to peace and normal relations between the United States and Vietnam. It is particularly sensitive for Mr. Clinton because of his record of opposition to the war and avoidance of military service as a young

A White House statement Monday said the Clinton administration "will leave no stone unturned in the effort to determine the fate of those who served our nation" in its longest war.

Peatagon officials have said repeatedly that
the number of missing whose fate is truly in
doubt is less than 100. The United States is spending more than \$100 million a year to search plane crash sites, interview Vietnamese villagers and war veterans and study Vietnam

ese archives in an effort to find out what hap-

pened to them. The White House statement repeated Mr. Clinton's demand for additional progress in four areas before lifting the embargo fully: "concrete results" from the search for remains; assistance in obtaining the cooperation of Laos; fuller access to Hanoi's records, and resolution of 80 remaining "discrepancy cases" of Americans who were last known to be alive.

The National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia condemned Mr. Clinton's action, saying he had been "deceived by the bureaucracy" into re-porting progress when there was none.

WORLD BRIEFS

Cuba's Bishops Urge Political Change

HAVANA (Reuters) — Cuba's Roman Catholic bishops urged the Communist government Tuesday to lift its monopoly of political power and start a national dialogue to save the island from economic and social collanse.

"Cuba is in need," the country's 11 bishops said in a message. "Things are not going well. There is discontent, uncertainty and desperation

among the population." The bishops strongly criticized the single-party rule of the Communist Party led by President Fidel Castro. They attacked the "exclusive and omnipresent" ideology, limitations on freedom, the "excessive control" of the state security services, the high number of prisoners and lack of political and religious tolerance.

### Haiti Prosecutor Quits After Threats

PORT-AU-PRINCE. Haiti (NYT) — The investigator into a spate of killings that diplomats believe are linked to the Haitian police has resigned after receiving death threats. Prime Minister Robert Malval said Tuesday. Mr. Malval said government ministers who took office less than two weeks are have also have the torse of death threats.

two weeks ago have also been the target of death threats.

Wilson Ciceron, the prosecutor, resigned Monday, taking with him a list of those suspected of involvement in the deaths of five pro-democracy activists a week ago. "He resigned and he must have swallowed his list, because we never got it," Mr. Malval said. "I don't blame him." He was "a small fish in a sea of sharks." he added.

The resignation underscores the problems that lie ahead for Mr. Malval as he attempts to lay the groundwork for the restoration of Haiti's ousted president, the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide. Under a UN-mediated accord, Father Aristide, the priest toppled in a bloody coup almost two years ago, is to return to Haiti on Oct. 30.

### Yeltsin Is Warned Against Fall Vote

MOSCOW (Reuters) - President Boris N. Yeltsin's advisers told him Tuesday that his hope of ending a power struggle with Russia's legislature by calling parliamentary elections this autumn was unrealistic for techni cal reasons, a senior aide said.

Georgi Satarov, a member of the presidential council, which met Tuesday, said that many in the council suggested "the most realistic date for elections is the spring."

### UN Gets Reinforcements in Somalia

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AFP) — Indian troops began arriving in Somalia's embattled capital on Tuesday to reinforce United Nations peacekeepers, a day after three American soldiers were wounded in fierce clashes with Somali gunmen.

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The Indian contingent, to number more than 4,900 when it reaches full strength by the end of the month, will be the second-biggest force in the UN operation here, after the 5,050-member contingent from Pakistan. The Indian commander, Brigadier Monu Bhagat, said his troops would have no trouble getting along with the Pakistanis because they were all serving under the UN flag. The two nations have fought three wars.

#### For the Record

Garry Kasparov, the world chess champion, beat his challenger, Nigel Short, on Tuesday in the fourth game of their world championship match in London. Mr. Kasparov, a Russian, now leads his English rival in the 24-game series by 3½ to ½. (Reuers)

### TRAVEL UPDATE

### Farmers Ready for Blockade of Paris

PARIS (AP) - Farmers around France began mobilizing Tuesday for a planned blockade of Paris aimed at forcing the government to veto an agricultural accord between Europe and the United States.

Farmers planned to block major roads and railroad tracks in a radius of 30 to 40 kilometers (20 to 25 miles) around the capital. The operation was to start at 3 A.M. Wednesday, and organizers hoped it would continue for several days. A similar blockade of Paris was tried a year ago, but the police dismantled it in less than 24 hours.

Sealink plans to run a fifth ferry between Dover, England, and Calais, France, beginning in May 1994, timed to coincide with the inauguration of the English Channel rail tunnel. Sealink said the new ferry would raise its service to one departure every 45 minutes at peak periods. P&O recently began operating a fifth ferry on the route.

### which has a reputation for murderers and bandits." Mr. Shevard- ANTS: Amazon Town Is Besieged

played hundreds of itchy sting said. marks on their legs. The stings drown." leave pustules that can become inalmost everyone scratches them. he had to give up farming his vege-table patch after the ants invaded

it. "I threw gasoline all around, and then there were more," he said. Even the hospital has been attacked. The legs of the beds rest in cans of water to keep the ants from scurrying up to the patients.
Some residents would like to just

give up and leave town, but Envira is so isolated that this option is not open to many of them. There are no roads leading through the jungle to the town, and in any case it has no cars. The only motorized vehicles, aside from a few motorbikes, are two trucks and three tractors. The state capital. Manans, more than 1,200 kilometers (700 miles) to the northeast, is a 25-day riverboat trip away. The only other way to get in or out is by light plane, which the

poor farmers cannot afford. The heavy rains that pound this area of the Amazon nine months of the year exacerbate the problem.

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"Other ants drown," Mr. Williams

He said when the floods come, fected if they are scratched, and the ants allow their colony to float, turning it upside down and into a Farmers go to their fields with kind of boat to protect the queen, their feet and legs wrapped in plas-tic. Raimundo Monteiro, 76, said this usually means one of the houses on stilts. The ants then abandon ship and take over the

> Soybean oil is used for bait in the insecticide, and the worker ants then carry it to the colony to feed to others and the queen. It is actually a growth regulator, which attacks the colony's reproductive system.

"The key to the whole thing is getting to the queen or queens," Mr. Williams said. The growth regulator prevents the queen from laying viable eggs, he said. "If she gets no new workers, she can't survive and she dies."

But, he acknowledges, this will not solve Envira's ant problem in the long run. The anis mate in flight and, borne by the winds, can find new queens and return after a few months. At best, all the U.S. team will be

able to do is provide some relief for about nine months. After that, the townspeople of Envira will need another infusion of Logic, which costs \$14,000 a ton. They cannot afford it, said Mayor Castro, who hopes his town will get at least one more donated shipment.

If they do not rid themselves of the ants, Mr. Castro said, he fears the citizens of Envira will look for a way to leave. "Many people are saying they will sell their things and go," he said. "They are discour-aged. Your children can't go out and play. You can't grow chickens. My son had ants in his ears."



Walter Mondale, the new U.S. envoy, arriving Tuesday in Tokyo.

### Japanese Give Mondale A Big Cheese' Welcome

By T. R. Reid

Washington Post Service TOKYO - The new U.S. ambassador to Japan, former Vice President Walter F. Mondale, arrived Tuesday to take up his diplomatic duties and was met by a horde of journalists as big as those normally awaiting rock stars and sumo wrestiers.

Any ambassador from the United States, which is Japan's biggest export market and chief ally, is important here. But Mr. Mondale got a particularly strong welcome because of his stature in the American political world. Japanese news organizations all have agreed that the new ambassador is an Ohmono, which literally means "large object" but is used as Americans might use the phrases big wheel or

Mr. Mondale, 65, possesses evcrything Japan wanted in a U.S. ambassador: political influence, personal access to President Bill Clinton and a genuine appreciation for Japanese culture and traditions. For the Japanese, these attributes put Mr. Mondale on par with the much-admired Mike Mansfield, another Democratic Party leader who served here for 12 years.

Moreover, it has been widely reported here that Mr. Mondale sought the Tokyo post after turning down offers to be ambassador to Russia or Britain. To the Japanese, still surprisingly diffident about their country's stature as a world economic power, Mr. Mondale's several preference is seen as high praise.

At the airport on Tuesday, Mr. paign.

Mondale spoke briefly to the crowd of reporters waiting for him and his wife, Joan. Japan, he said, was a "wonderful country" with a "marvelous culture and history."

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"We know we will love our stay here." he added.

Like his recent predecessors, Mr. Mondale will be dealing with a nation that is a close U.S. ally in political and military matters, but is increasingly seen as a major eco-nomic rival by the American pub-lic. Japan's \$50 billion-a-year trade surplus with the United States represents well over half of the overall U.S. trade imbalance, and the Clinton administration has been struggling to deal with the problem.

U.S. officials have said that their position for the next few months, at east, will be to step back and give Japan's new coalition government some time to deal with the trade problem. Mr. Mondale eschewed any discussion of specifics about Prime Minister Morihiro Ho-

sokawa, in office just a month, has promised to reduce Japan's trade surplus with the United States and other developed countries. He has not set forth specific policies for doing so. With the Japanese econo-my alling, there does not seem to be much Mr. Hosokawa can do in the near future to reduce the trade sur-

Mr. Mondale visited Japan as vice president, and he has made several trips as an attorney since his defeat in the 1984 presidential cam-

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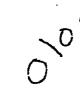
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### STATESIDE / FIGHTING ABOUT CRIME

# Measure Burdened by Splits on Gun Sales and Death Penalty In Gay-Sailor Case, II S. Seems to Back

WASHINGTON — Ensnarled in presidential election politics last year, a major crime bill died as Republicans and Democrats relused to compromise on difficult issues like capital punishment, death-row appeals and gun control.

This year was supposed to be different. White House and Congress, many hoped the impasse would break.

"It's time we put aside the divisions of party and philosophy," President Bill Clinton pleaded last month during a ceremony in which he announced his commitment to push for the same crime bill that failed just last year.

But proponents of the measure, in the Senate and the House alike, are expressing deep reservations about its prospects, saying the complex issues that sank the bill last year remain a source of friction, even though Republicans and Democrats agree

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put tens of thousands more police officers on crime and criminal justice.
on the streets, offer college scholarships to

"And the death penalty and students willing to be police officers, toughen penalties on terrorism and gang With Democrats controlling both the violence and provide metal detectors to

> to improve its chances, others are not certain that can happen.

Senate Judiciary Committee. He called the bill's chances no better execution of innocent people.

whelm the widespread support for the rest but repels many conservatives," said Representative Charles E. Schumer, a Brook-Its other provisions would, for instance, lyn Democrat who heads the subcommittee

"And the death penalty and habeas corpus have the converse affect."

Most Democratic leaders, for instance, would like the bill to ban sales of assault weapons, a proposal that Republicans and While some lawmakers advocate strip-some conservative Democrats say would pmg the disputed provisions from the bill conflict with the Second Amendment's

Republicans insist on a provision to lim-"It will take a fairly tricky strategy to it death-row inmates to a single habeas pass this," said Senator Joseph R. Biden corpus appeal that would have to be filed Ir., Democrat of Delaware, who heads the within six months of conviction, a proposal that most Democrats fear could lead to the

Such deep philosophical divisions defy Prospects in the House, where the number of members with ideologically hard-ened positions is greater than in the Senate, may be even dimmer as sponsors prepare

Senator Phil Gramm, Republican of Texas, a leading conservative on the crime issue, insists that the bill must include more mandatory minimum sentences for ofmandatory infiliation servences for of-grees to expand the federal offenses pun-ters what amount ter what amount.

liberal lawmakers oppose that tack, arguing that mandatory sentences are unfair and counterproductive.

Several Southern Democrats in the Senate, particularly J. Bennett Johnston of Louisiana and Richard C. Shelby of Alasions that their liberal counterparts insist ed over tactics.

the subcommittee on civil and constituthe legislation if he believes that it im-

Representative Jack Brooks of Texas, the chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, ardently opposes the strict gun control that liberals insist upon before they will

Attorney General Janet Reno and many quire the president to knock some heads, several Democratic lawmakers say.

So far, the Justice Department has helped members of the congressional staff draft the measure, but Mr. Clinton has left it up to Mr. Biden and Mr. Brooks to lead bama, will also fight gun-control provi-

While the White House has been expect-In the House, Representative Don Ed- ed to work hard for the crime package, one wards, Democrat of California, who heads major advocate. Senator Orrin G. Hatch of Utah, the ranking Republican on the Juditional rights and who is his chamber's con-science on civil liberties issues, can be ex-seen an ounce of administration effort. I pected to sway dozens of liberals against don't think they have picked up the phone

### U.S. Seems to Back Old Policy of a Ban

By Stephen Labaton

New York Times Service WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration, using legal arguments that Bill Clinton the candidate had sharply criticized, has ap-peared in court to defend the old policy that banned homosexuals from the military.

But the federal appeals court in Washington that is reviewing the policy has expressed deep skepticism of the administration's posi-

The case concerns a midshipman, Joseph C. Steffan, who was forced to resign from the Naval Academy in Annapolis under the old regulations after he told another midshipman that he was a homo-

But because a decision could have significant ramifications for the Pentagon's new regulations, which take effect Oct. 1, the Clinton administration has been recycling the arguments made by the Bush administration to defend the exclusion of homosexuals from the armed services.

At issue is whether a member of the armed services can be punished for simply saying he is homosexual.

The new regulations strike a compromise between President Bill Clinton's promise to remove the ban entirely and the sentiments of military leaders and Congress to keep it in place. The compromise permits homo-

sexuals to serve in the military so long as they remain silent about their sexual orientation except in the most private of settings, and do

not engage in homosexual acts.

The administration argued Monday that both the old and the new regulations are constitutional. But the judges were clearly troubled by the government's argument for restrictions that prohibit gay soldiers and sailors from even talking about their sexual orientation or from engaging in whatever sexual practices they wanted off-base.

that there was a rational basis for such restrictions - under the old or the new rule - that could withstand constitutional scrutiny.

And while acknowledging that the military could impose more limitations on individual liberties than the government could on civilians, they pointed to inconsisten-cies in the new and old regulations that they found troublesome.

In his senior year at Annapolis, Mr. Steffan was one of the 10 highest-ranking midshipmen. After he told another midshipman and a chaplain at the academy that he was homosexual an investigation was begun. Confronted by a disciplinary board, Mr. Steffan ac-knowledged that he was homosex-

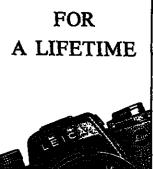
The board then changed the evaluation for his military performance from "A" to "F" and recommended that he be discharged. He ultimately resigned and has failed to win reinstatement.

The three judges who heard the appeal are the only Democraticappointed members of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of

Their ruling is not likely to be the last word on the subject. If the government loses, it will probably take the case to the full appeals court and possibly to the Supreme

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### For Both Camps, Health-Care Bill Has 2 Sides

WASHINGTON — For U.S. health-care policymakers in Washington, the insurance industry intends to run this message in newspapers over the weekend: "Surprise!" it proclaims, announcing that the insurance industry supports a dozen elements in the Clinton plan

and only opposes three.

But for people outside Washington, the message from the industry in television ads is different: "Things are going to change, and not all for the better," an announcer intones after a couple, poring over a stack of bills, lament the changes in their coverage under the plan.

Therein lies the paradox: Unlike with most major bills that come before Congress — one interest group is happy, another is unhappy
— the health-care proposal that has been circulating in recent days.

appears to be making everyone both happy and unhappy. And, as the ads from the Health Insurance Association of America suggest, they are somewhat befuddled about how best to respond. there's never been a process like this one on a major piece of legislation," Charles N. Kahn 3d, executive vice president of the insurance group, said Monday. "No one really knows yet what the rules are. That's why we're doing ads that argue both what we're for and what we're against. We want to let the policymakers know we're willing to work with them — but we still want to raise some doubts with the general public."

### in 'Reinventing' Mood, Clinton Merges Panels

WASHINGTON -- President Bill Clinton has consolidated two boards under his authority that deal with intelligence activities.

Carrying out a recommendation from Vice President Al Gore's

report on "reinventing government," Mr. Clinton abolished on Monday the President's Intelligence Oversight Board as an independent body and made it a standing committee of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board.

The oversight board had provided the president with an independent mechanism to oversee the lawfulness of intelligence activities. The action eliminates a board while retaining its function. The oversight committee will consist of four members from the reconstituted foreign intelligence board.

#### Quote/Unquote

Senator Bob Kerrey, Democrat of Nebraska, on making spending cuts, "I think Republicans and Democrats in impressive numbers will fall away when you get to the specifics."

#### **Away From Politics**

• The trial of four of the seven men charged in the Feb. 26 bombing of the World Trade Center in New York City began Tuesday with

• Lax track maintenance and inspections caused an Amtrak crash two years ago in South Carolina that killed eight passengers, the National Transportation Safety Board said.

• Two of the nation's largest blood testing laboratories agreed to pay the federal government \$39.8 million to settle charges that they submitted false Medicare claims for unnecessary blood tests. Met-

path and Metwest, which are divisions of Corning Lab Services Inc., admitted no wrongdoing in settling the case.

• A U.S. judge threw out a \$750 million lawsuit filed by Washington apple growers against CBS-TV, ruling they had failed to prove that a "60 Minutes" report linking the chemical Alar to cancer was false. The growers contended that the 1989 broadcast triggered a consumer panic and cost them an estimated \$130 million.



BALLPARK FIGURES IN BALTIMORE — More than 4,500 immigrants from 141 countries received American citizenship in a ceremony at the Camden Yards baseball stadium in Baltimore. It was the largest such naturalization ceremony in Maryland history.

### **AMERICAN TOPICS**

### Nevada to Shut Courts a Day

To Study Domestic Violence The Nevada Supreme Court has ordered all courts in the state to close for one day next

month for a seminar on domestic violence, the Los Angeles Times reports. All of the approximately 150 judges in Nevada, from the chief justice to juvenile court referees, will be required to attend the eight-hour session. Nevada is the first state to hold such a man-

Justice Robert E. Rose handed down the order, which will cost \$28,000 in judicial salaries and expenses. Judge Rose said some of his colleagues have objected: "They feel it should be voluntary, and that they have an adequate handle on family violence. I have said to them that it's a major problem in society and the courts, to attend the seminar and keep an open mind."

The National Clearing House on Domestic Violence says battering is the most frequent

cause of injury to women -- more than rape, automobile accidents and muggings com-

#### Short Takes

Treatment within the first 70 minutes of a heart attack is vital, and victims should be rushed to a hospital or treated by a paramedic before that time runs out, according to a University of Washington study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association. But the study found that "the vast home during that time. "Treatment within 70 minutes of symptom onset," the report said,
"minimized the infarct [heart attack] process and its complications.

Branching out from stealing car radios and tape decks, thieves are increasingly targeting a gadget that most motorists are not even aware exists: the car's computer, also called the engine control module. The New York Times reports. The computers, about as big and as heavy as car radios, have been used in new cars since the early 1980s to control vital functions such as ignition, electronic fuel injection and exhaust emission. Unlike radios and stereo sets, computers are not universally compatible; though they cost \$200 to \$300 each, they seldom bring the thief more than \$40 or \$50. Even so, experts say car computer theft is spreading.

les suburbs before he goes coast-to-coast with 'The Tonight Show." Hollywood and New York, he says, "are sarcastic places," where people laugh at cruel jokes, he told the Los Angeles Times. But "when you get away from those cities and you get out a bit more to where real people are, they might laugh and think it's real funny, or they might go OOOOOOOhhh. It's just a little more sense of fair play the farther away you get from urban centers."

Jay Leno, the TV talk-show host, tests his

material at a small nightclub in the Los Ange-

John H. Hutchinson of Los Angeles wrote to the all-news radio station KNX on a couple of occasions to object to its slogan, "All the news you need to know," pointing out that he needed to know many other things the station did not report. The station kept the slogan anyway. Eventually Mr. Hutchinson moved back to his native Wales, where he died at the age of 96. And there, his grandson reports, he had his tombstone engraved this

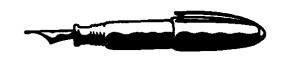
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### Clinton and 3 Allies Pitch Trade Accord

WASHINGTON — Flanked by three predecessors. President Bill Clinton signed two side agreements to the proposed North American Free Trade Agreement on Tuesday and began a high-profile campaign to promote the accord.

We all recognize the important stakes for our nation in this issue." Mr. Clinton said at a ceremony marking his signing of the impor-tant side agreements to the accord. which would link the United States, Canada and Mexico, Former presidents George Bush, Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford lent their support.

The pact would create the world's largest free trade zone. stretching from the Yukon to the Yucatan, joining the three nations into an economic unit of 360 mil-The side agreements would es-

tablish three-nation commissions to oversee enforcement of each country's environmental and labor laws. A country found to be persistently feeling to enforce its laws could face penalties.

The main trade agreement would climinate tariffs and other barriers to the movement of goods, services and investment among the three nations over a 15-year period. Congress must approve the agreement, and the White House, hoping to

build support for the pact over time, will not submit the necessary legislation until later this fall. 'It's a good deal, and we ought to

take it." Mr. Clinton said.

Opponents of the accord say the pact would make it easier for U.S. companies to move their factories to Mexico, where labor is cheaper and environmental standards are less stringent. Mr. Clinton said Americans who

find themselves working harder for less "are vulnerable to fear tactics behind much of the opposition to NAFTA." "It is clear that most of the peo-

ple who oppose this pact are rooted in the fears and insecurities that are legitimately gripping the great American middle class," he said. "It is no use to deny that these fears and insecurities exist. It is no use denying that many of our people have lost in the battle for change He suggested that the United States would lose face in the eyes of the world if the pact was not ap-

"If we walk away from this, we have no right to say to other coun-tries, 'You're not fulfilling world leadership." he said. Mr. Bush chided critics for tak-

ing the "cheap and easy way out."
If the accord fails, he said, "the biggest loser, in my opinion, will be the good old U.S.A."

The harshest words came from aire Ross Perot a demagogue "who has unlimited financial resources"

Mr. Ford offered his "strong and affirmative endorsement." lion workers would be put in jeopardy by the agreement. ardy by the agreement.

The president conceded that Mr. Carter, who called the million- some jobs would be lost when trade barriers were dropped, but he said and "is extremely careless with the truth," preying on the fears of the public. Mr. Perot contends 5.9 mil-

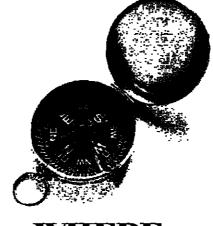
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PROHOR PCINSKI, Serbia -Sixteen months after the international community imposed sanctions on Yugoslavia for its support of Serbian paramilitary forces in Bosnia, countries bordering Yugoslavia appear finally to be enforcing the embargo.

Despite the belated success of the trade blockade, which was strengthened by the United Nations Security Council in April, analysts are split as to whether it will achieve UN goals: the modification of Serbian behavior and peace in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The embargo bans shipments of most goods to and from Yugoslavia by land and water, but exempts medicine, food and relief supplies and services. It blocks shipping through Yugoslavia on the Danube, freezes Yugoslav government and private funds abroad and calls on UN members to impound Yugoslav ships, trains and aircraft that violate the sanctions.

International efforts to enforce the embargo have been undermined by smugglers in many coun-tries, with much of the contraband coming through Macedonia. During the summer, thousands of trucks and rail cars crossed to Serbia through at least five checkpoints on the border with Macedonia. Under pressure from Western countries, including the United States, Macedonia on Sept. 6 shut its border with Serbia to trucks.

Bulgaria, another important source of goods coming into Serbia, has recently tightened its main leak -railroad cars with certificates for Macedonian users that are diverted to Serbia. A Western embassy in Sofia found that from January to March, 2,000 railroad cars entered Serbia destined for Macedonia, but only 98 arrived.

"They've improved on that record a great deal," said a Western diplomat. "We've still got some problems, but everybody is getting

Under the supervision of Westem customs officers, Romania and Hungary have also cut embargo violations across the Danube. Western officials in Belgrade say the main problems are Croatia and Slovenia, both of which fought the them realize that the road we're Serb-led Yugoslav Army to ensure

the independence they declared in 1991. Hundreds of trucks a day slip into Serbia carrying goods shipped through Serb-held territory in eastem Croatia.

"Money is stronger than war," said Jurij Bajec, an economist in Belgrade. "Besides, no sanctions can work 100 percent in this part of the world. We've been trading with each other for too long."

In Serbia, sanctions have played an important role in accelerating the hyperinflation that in the past year has nearly obliterated the value of the Yugoslav dinar.

Earlier this month, the central bank issued a 1 billion dinar note, a pinkish bill that, with an inflation rate of 15 percent per day, will soon be worth \$1. The federal parliament last week proposed a law that would strike six zeros off the currency in October. Since the UN Security Council

strengthened sanctions in an effort to stop the transshipment of goods through Serbia, the dinar has plummeted. Shortages of gasoline are now commonplace, and cigarettes are in short supply.

Some analysts fear the blockade

and worsening economy will only reinforce a bunker mentality in Yugoslavia and strengthen ultranationalist forces.

According to Mr. Bajec, the economist, President Slobodan Milosevic finds the sanctions a convenient excuse for the country's eco-nomic woes. Starting this week, the government will ration food for the first time since 1948, a move for which most people on the street appear to blame the West rather than the government price freeze.

"Sanctions are a beautiful alibi for many things," Mr. Bajec said. The only Serbs openly backing the embargo belong to the democratic opposition.

"People must realize that the sanctions will not be lifted unless the system is changed," said Danica Draskovic, a leading opposition

figure.
"The idea that Serbs are not guilty for the bloodshed in Bosnia is wrong," she said. "If people disagree with the policy of war and with the existing system, they should protest, but they don't. I see sanctions as the only way to make

### Serbian Rebels Down A Croatian Warplane

ZAGREB, Croatia — Serbian rebels Tuesday shot down a Croatian Air Force MiG warplane that was seeking to destroy missile-launching sites in Serb-held territory in southwestern Croatia, accordng to diplomatic sources.

The fledgling Croatian Air Force sent four MiG-21s on the raid, breaking the government's self-de-clared 24-hour cease-fire in what has become the worst outbreak of fighting since the end of the Serbi-

an-Croatian war in January 1992. The Croatian Army has seized three villages in Serb-held territory in the Krajina area of southwestern Croatia, while the Croatian Serbs have fired thousands of artillery and mortar shells into Croatian towns and put an oil refinery at Sisak out of order.

The worst-affected Croatian town, Karlovac, was reported by the state-run radio to have received a total of 2,500 shells since Thursday, resulting in the death of 4

people and injuries to at least 15.

The engagement of the four Croatian MiGs for the first time in the fighting lent credence to diplomatic reports that Croatia had successfully circumvented the UN arms

The reports also said that the MiGs had been transported in kits by truck from Hungary. The reports were unclear about the origin. of the planes.

Croatia previously was known to have only two MiGs, which were seized from the old Yugoslav Air Force when Croatia broke away and declared its independence from Yugoslavia in June 1991. One of the two was in Austria but has reportedly now been returned here.

The four MiGs involved in the raid Tuesday were reported by dip-

By David B. Ottaway lomatic sources to have gone out in search of the site from which the Serbian rebels fired a Soviet-made unguided Frog-7 missile that landed Saturday in a suburb of Zagreb The missile, which has a range of 70 kilometers (45 miles), can carry up to 450 kilograms (1,000 pounds) of high explosive.

It was not known here Tuesday whether they had succeeded in finding and bombing any such sites or had attacked other targets.
The rebels' radio said that one

MiG had been shot down near Vrginmost, about 50 kilometers south of Zagreb, and that the pilot had been killed in the crash.

The Croatian state radio con-firmed the loss of the MiG by hos-

Meanwhile in Geneva, President Franjo Tudjman and the Bosnian president, Alija Izetbegovic, signed an agreement aimed at ending the fighting between Bosnian Muslims and Croats in central and southwestern Bosnia.

The two leaders set Sept. 18 as a deadline for ending all fighting be-tween the warring faction and Sept. 21 for freeing each other's prisoners from detention camps. They also pledged to stop blocking the passage of UN convoys carrying humanitarian relief supplies into central and southern Bosnia.

The Bosnian Croats have come under heavy pressure, particularly from the United States, to release thousands of Muslims being held in conditions reminiscent of Nazi concentration camps.

However, the leader of the Bosnian Croats, Mate Boban, was not present at the meeting between Mr. Tudiman and Mr. Izetbegovic, raising questions whether this agreement had any better chance of being implemented than dozens of others that have been ignored.

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### Mitterrand Falls Ill At Seoul Ceremony

SEOUL - President François Mitterrand of France became ill and vomited into a handkerchief as he was signing the guest book at South Korea's

presidential mansion Tuesday. Mr. Mitterrand, who had arrived two hours earlier for the first visit by a French head of state, changed into clean clothes and was 30 minutes late for talks with President Kim Young Sam.

Korean aides said Mr. Mitterrand, who is 76 and has prostate cancer, felt dizzy, then suddenly sat down in a chair near the guest-book stand, holding a handkerchief to his mouth. With the South Korean presi-

dent looking on worriedly, aides and security guards rushed Mr. Mitterrand to a rest-He vomited and asked for his personal doctor, who was accompanying him on the trip, Korean aides said. He remained

there about 20 minutes, chang-

ing into clean clothes and

emerging wearing a light gray suit and shirt, they said. The Yonhap news agency reported that Mr. Mitterrand had seemed faint while watching an honor guard, just before signing the guest book, and had been assisted when he entered the

The French Embassy said later that Mr. Mitterrand was doing fine and that there would be no other comment. The president disclosed last year that he was being treated for prostate

After the incident, President Mitterrand's wife, Danielle, told Mr. Kim's wife, Sohn Myong Sun, that the voyage had been fine, but that there appeared to have been "a problem with food." The two first ladies met while their husbands were conferring in a separate

The French also asked the South Koreans to lower the temperature in the mansion, apparently to make Mr. Mitterrand more comfortable.

When he arrived, Mr. Mitterrand looked well and smiled and chatted with South Korean officials who met him at the airport. He laid a wreath at the national cemetery and was to be guest of honor at a state dinner following his talks with Mr.

The visit is the first by a French president since the nations established ties in 1949.



A military attaché aiding Mr. Mitterrand as he entered the presidential mansion of Kim Young Sam in Seoul on Tuesday.

### **Norway-EC Talks** To Proceed Despite **Distaste of Voters**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BRUSSELS — The European Community said Tuesday that it would continue talks on Norwegian membership even though Oslo's hopes of joining were dealt a severe blow by Norwegian voters on Monday.

"It's not going to change our policy," a European Commission official said. "That will be the affair not think it will have any influence on our negotiations."

Norway's minority Labor government held on to power and even made moderate gains in the elections, but its plan for EC member-Center Party was the big winner on an anti-EC ticket.

least three-fourths of the 165-seat may be asked to vote again.

With 89.1 percent of the tions based on the incomplete vote count, opponents of the Communi-ty, who need 42 seats to block membership, could finish with up

ing needed to step up the fight against the EC in parliament," said servatives got only 15.4 percent, the chairwoman of the Center Par-down sharply from 22.2 percent in ty, Anne Enger Lahnstein, 43, after 1989.

her party's best election ever. "We n will do that."

showed that 58 percent of voters opposed EC membership.

The Center Party feels EC membership would mean sacrificing Norway's sovereignty to Brussels of the Norwegian government. I do and giving away control over namral resources such as North Sea oil and fisheries — issues which will be hammered out in membership talks this autumn.

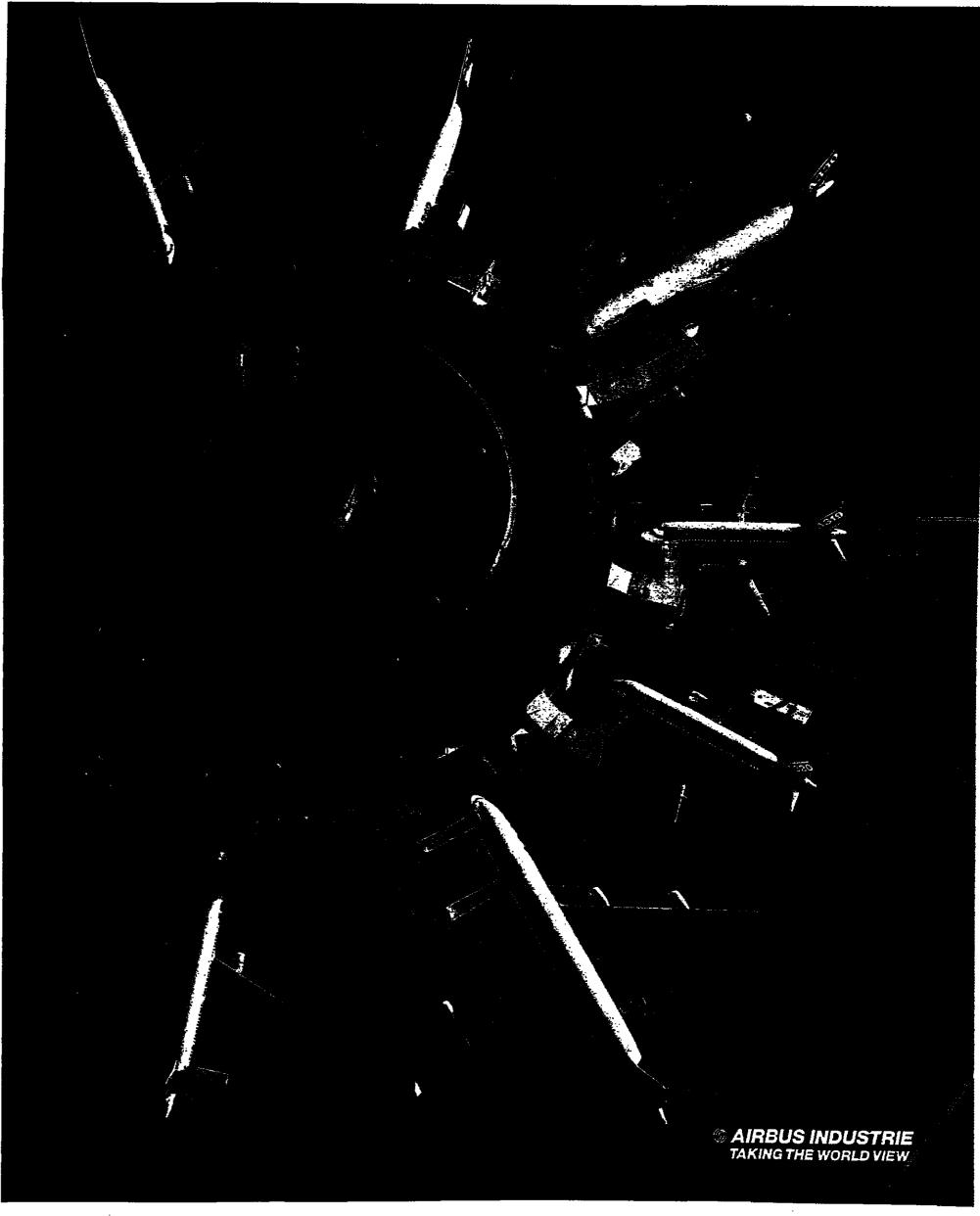
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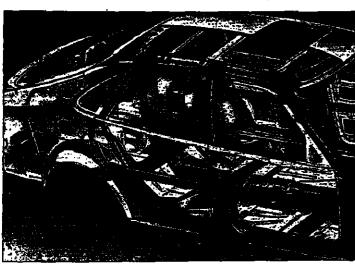
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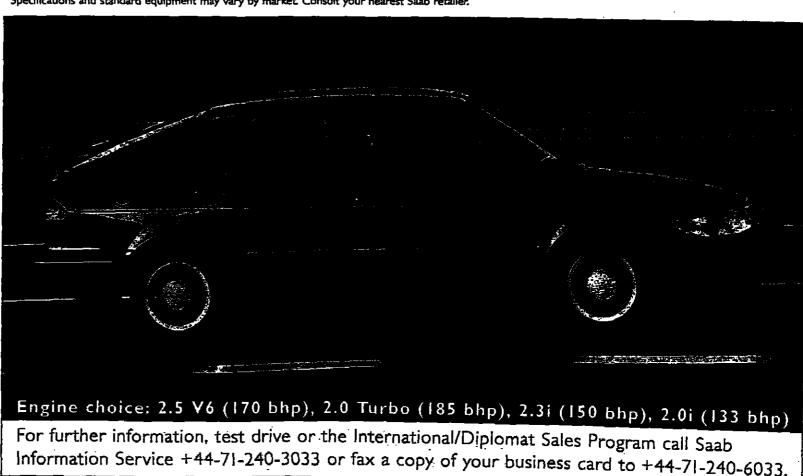
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By David Hoffman

JERUSALEM — Amal Khraishi says she feels afraid when walking through the predominantly Jewish sections of West

"It's like another world, and I don't feel relaxed, and I can't talk Arabic," she said. There is a lot of worry and fear, and when I take my son, I ask him not to speak Arabic."

Eliyahu Zahavi has Palestinian friends Who live just 10 minutes down the road in Bethlehem, but he has not visited them for the last two years, during the Palestinian uprising, or intifada.

"I am cautious," he said. "Someone could come from an alley and stick me with a knife or throw stones."

Mr. Zahavi lives in West Jerusalem, and Mrs. Khraishi lives in Bireh, near Ramallah in the Israeli-occupied West

Mr. Zahavi is a Jew, Mrs. Khraishi is a Palestinian. They live a few miles apart.

and Palestinians that their self-in-

The nay-sayers among both peo-

ples will have to be answered with

Much will depend on building viable economies in the areas that

Waxing poetic, Shimon Peres, the

overburdened U.S. Treasury.

terest lies in its working.

Israel and Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, attended the signing Monday of an Israeli-PLO declaration of principles at the White House, they started something

ians. But no piece of paper, no ceremony that live on in the minds of the Israeli and Palestinian peoples. Even after the pomp and circumstance, after the calls for reconciliation, after the

new - self-government for the Palestin-

historic moment, there will still be fear. suspicion and doubt among the millions of Palestinians and Jews who live next to one another in this disputed land.

These emotions were on display in conversations with two families, both of whom acknowledged that they had high hopes and some deep-seated fears about the rapprochement between Mr. Rabin and Mr. Arafat. To listen to Rachel and

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If the United Nations operation in Somalia fails, and U.S. policy

fails with it, that is embarrassing. The president, according to his

The Middle East is another mat-

ter. If Mr. Clinton bungles there -

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system. They will again be viewed

as the prime measures of the presi-

dent's success over the next 12

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now be added the Middle East.

the Palestinians are to take over.

Tole in his speech, asserting that ure of the Western nations to end Waxing poetic, Shimon Peres, the "the United States is committed to the suffering in Bosnia-Herzegovi-

Israeli foreign minister, promised to help them in "making Gaza prosper and Jericho bloom again."

Arab countries will also help, leading the world in marshaling the suffers strategically, for miscalculations in the Balkans or in Africa.

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money will have to come from the the difficult details."

But they also live in two separate worlds, divided by more than a century of hatred.

As Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Khraishi and her husband, Hasan Barghotti, in their apartment in Birch, is to hear the echoes of two peoples still in pain.

"It needs time," said Mrs. Khraishi, a social worker, sitting in her living room. "One hundred years of hate - it will not change quickly. It's been this way in all conflicts in human history. It depends on us too. We have to build more confidence so we can feel like equals. Even with my Jewish friends. I feel they are the occupi-

er and I am the occupied." "I always felt we are two peoples," she added. "I never feel secure sleeping in Tel Aviv. It was not easy for me."

The five-year Palestinian revolt has had a dramatic impact on her children, Mrs. Khraishi said.

"All they have seen is violence and fear," she said. "All the time they are talking about who's dead, who's shot, who's handicapped. I see violence in their

games. All the time, one is playing the soldier and one the youths."

Mrs. Khraishi said she feared that the Jewish youths growing up in the isolated settlements nearby, surrounded by an Arab population of I million, might also be feeling a deepening hatred.
What do you expect Jews who have

lived their childhood in front of a fence in the settlements to think?" she said. "They don't feel we are human beings." The view from the Zahavi living room

in West Jerusalem is cautious about Arab

Eliyahu and Rachel Zahavi were both born in Jerusalem. At 65, Mr. Zahavi has witnessed all of Israel's wars and has served in three of them as a communications specialist. He speaks Arabic, and he is worried about what Israel is getting

"Deep inside, I don't trust the Arabs." he said. "I have to give them a test to prove their intentions. I have very bad memories from the wars. I just can't trust He paused. Mrs. Zahavi came in from the kitchen and pulled up a chair. "I'll tell you why," she said. "My grandfather was killed in 1936. It was

when the Arabs killed 10 people. The Arabs bring you the milk, but one day, you just don't know when it will happen. You can live with them; it can be like you are in the same family, and one night, suddenly an attack. We know of a family in Hebron; they are breakfast with them, and they were attacked that day. Today, he can be my friend, and tomorrow forget about it."

"I want to live in peace," she added, "but if you ask do I believe it? I don't." "I see all the Arab children on television," she continued, "and they hate us so much. I can't believe the child who has soaked up so much hate will change." She was asked if the ceremony in

Washington might make a difference. Mr. Zahavi flipped his hand. "It's not a switch," he said. "You can't just switch it on and off. There is deep sentiment in our hearts."

### **Marchers Demand Beirut Leaders Quit**

BEIRUT - Thousands of pro-Tranian and militant Palestinian marchers demanded the removal of the Lebanese government during a funeral procession Tuesday for eight protesters killed in demon-strations against Middle East peace

The pro-iranian extremist group Hezbollah, or the Party of God, said that 150,000 people had attended the demonstration, but independent counts put the number closer to 15,000.

The Lebanese Army pulled most of its troops off Beirut's streets to try to avoid violence.

In unrest in the occupied territories Tuesday, a day after the signnis i tiesday, a day after the sign-ing in Washington of the peace agreement between Israel and the Palestinie Liberation Organization, a Palestinian blew himself up in an Israeli police station in the Gaza Strip in a bombing attack. Military sources also said Israeli troops killed a Palestinian after he stabbed a soldier in Gaza City. The soldier was slightly wounded.

An Arab burst into the courtyard

of the police station in the city of Gaza and detonated explosives strapped to his body. Military sources said that he was killed but that no one else had been hurt, and no damage was reported.

The deaths were the first reported in Gaza since the signing of the peace pact. Militants in the area who oppose the accord with Israel have said they will step up their campaign against it.

Israel will bar Palestinians from leaving the Gaza Strip from Wednesday until Sunday to stem violence during the Jewish New Year holiday period, the army said.

advocates the destruction of Israel. has consistently threatened to wreck the Mideast peace process. In Tehran, President Hashemi

Rafsanjani denounced the PLO-Israel agreement as treason and a "stain of shame" for Palestinians. "These are the most degrading times for the Islamic jihad in Palestine," he said. "This stain of shame will not remain on the Islamic jihad

of Palestine, and Muslims will not let it pass lightly." In the Lebanese parliament, Prime Minister Rafik Hariri's gov ernment heard demands by Hez-bollah deputies and their allies for the government to quit and for those who ordered the killings of the demonstrators to be punish And at a cemetery in Beirut's

called for the government's down-fall, a Hezbollah leader. Sheikh Hassan Nasrallah, said: This government must resign. If it refuses to resign, then every minister who thinks himself a son of

southern suburbs, as the crowd

the people has to." The eight demonstrators, two of them women, were killed Monday when troops fired on marchers who were protesting the PLO's accord with Israel, in violation of a government ban on demonstrations

It was the worst bloodshed between the Lebanese Army and Muslim fundamentalists since the country's 15-year civil war ended in

In southern Lebanon, Hezbollah guerrillas mounted six attacks in-side the border area that Israel calls its security zone, wounding an Israeli officer and five allied militia men, security sources said.

### Arafat Seems Flexible On Future of Jerusalem

International Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON - Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, appeared to offer new flexibility Tuesday on the future of Jerusalem, saying that in-ternational control of the disputed city "is on the table" and that Jewish holy places should be respected.

Appearing before the National
Press Club, Mr. Arafat briefly

sketched a vision of Jerusalem that would take into account its religious significance to the world's major religious, even as he referred to East Jerusalem as Arab territory. Does this mean he would accept the "internationalization" of Jeru-

salem? he was asked. "Ask Rabin if he will accept this internationalization of Jerusalem," he responded with a jovial smile, reterring to the Israeli prime minis-

ter, Yitzhak Rabin. "From my point of view, it is on the table," he added. "If there is a

will, there is a way." As for Mr. Rabin, who has publicly yielded no ground on Jerusa-lem, Mr. Arafat said: "I have to

For years, Mr. Arafat and other Arab leaders have called for the return of the eastern part of Jerusa-

peatedly rejected this suggestion. Under the Declaration of Principles signed by PLO and Israeli officials on Monday at the White House, negotiations on the future of Jerusalem are to be conducted

1967 Six-Day War. Israel has re- process. beginning two years from now. But Mr. Rabin has stressed that he has

agreed only to talk about Jerusalem, nothing more.

Previous promises from Mr. Arafat to see the Palestinian flag flying over Jerusalem have been met by a pointed response from Mr. Rabin: "Forget it."

But in appearances in Washington this week, Mr. Arafat has essentially dropped any rigid rhetoric on the question. When asked Monday evening by a U.S. television interviewer whether he envisioned an eventual Palestinian state with Jerusalem as its capital, Mr. Arafat corrected: "East Jerusalem."

Referring to Israelis, he said: "They have their Jerusalem and we have our own Jerusalem." He characterized statements by Mr. Rabin as references to "Jerusalem," not to unified Jerusalem

"I am listening to him politically," Mr. Arafat said.

Mr. Arafat's references to Jerusalem, he said, are references to "this holy city — the old city where places holy to Christians, Moslems and Jews exist.

Earlier, Mr. Arafat had breakfast respect what he is saying, and I with senators and appealed to them hope he will respect what I am for loan guarantees. Senator George J. Mitchell of Maine, the majority leader, said Congress would work with the Clinton administration to find "the best and lem, seized by Israel, along with the rest of the West Bank, during the most appropriate way to take accept to further the Mideast peace

> Senator Bob Dole of Kansas, the minority leader, said Mr. Arafat's appeal during the hourlong session was well received by everyone." "I didn't think I'd five long enough to meet Yasser Arafat in the United States Capitol," he said.

### JORDAN: A Pledge With Israel to Work for Peace

Continued from Page 1

Elyakim Rubinstein. "The good and businesslike atmosphere which has characterized our negotiations so far, including many moments of good humor, should serve to bring our mission to its final end beyond today's milestone "

Mr. Rubinstein promised a rapid pace for the talks and invited his Jordanian counterparts to hold them in the region.

Jordanian officials were less ex-

nansive however. They emphasized that the task ahead called for a peace based on UN resolutions that envision the return of Arab lands and security for Israel. Jorthe 1967 Six-Day War and then transferred its territorial claims to to be negotiated."

"It details and summarizes the

The Jordanians also stressed that they were not likely to sign a final peace treaty with Israel until all Arab states, including Syria and Lebanon, had agreed to peace terms with the Jewish state. Indeed, the agenda signed Tuesday was completed months ago, but the Jordanians preferred to wait until progress had been made between Israel and the PLO.

Because all the talks are under way in Washington, they said, dan lost the West Bank to Israel in Mr. Rubinstein characterized the ating genuine peace."

principles which will guide us in the coming negotiations," he said. The ranking Jordanian, Fayez Tarawneh, Amman's ambassador to the United States, made an indirect appeal for development funds from abroad, saying: "We in Jor-dan look for a global security ar-rangement that goes beyond the traditional definition of military se-curity to not that provides for security curity to one that provides for eco-

nomic security and well-being." der aid, the placed great significance on the agenda, saying: "We are not negotiating a truce. We are negoti-



Yasser Arafat being greeted by George J. Mitchell, the Senate majority leader, on Tuesday.

### ${\it Excerpts From the Israeli-Jordanian `Common Agenda' Text}$

"Common Agenda" signed on Tuesday in Washington by Jordan and Israel:

A. Goal: The achievement of just, lasting and comprehensive peace between the Arab states, the Palestinians and Israel as per the Madrid invitation.

 Searching for steps to arrive at a state of peace based on Security Council Resolutions 242 and 338 in all their aspects.

The Associated Press by either side that may adversely affect the security of the other or may prejudge the reconciliation and openness.

Following are excerpts from the text of the Common Agenda" signed on Tuesday in

b. Threats to security resulting from all rangements and security confidence buildkinds of terrorism.

c. i. Mutual commitment not to threaten each other by any use of force and not to use weapons by one side against the other including conventional and nonconven-

B. Components of Jordan-Israel Peace tional mass destruction weapons. mass destruction, conventional and nonconventional weapons; this goal is to be achieved in the context of a comprehensive, lasting and stable peace characterized

4. Refugees and Displaced Persons:

Achieving an agreed just solution to the bilateral aspects of the problem of refugees and displaced persons in accordance with international law.

6. Exploring the potentials of future bilateral cooperation within a regional context where appropriate, in the following:

a. Natural Resources: Water, energy and environment; Rift Valley denvironment; Rift Valley d priority and as soon as possible, to work a. Refraining from actions or activities sive, lasting and stable peace characterized international law.

d. Mutually agreed upon security ar-

a. Securing the rightful water shares of territories that came under Israeli military the two sides.

b. Searching for ways to alleviate water

Demography; Labor; Health; Education; Drug Control. 5. Borders and Territorial Matters: Settlement of territorial matters and c. Infrastructure: Transportation: land agreed definitive delimitation and demarcation of the international boundary beand air; Communication. tween Jordan and Jersel with reference to d. Economic areas including tourism the boundary definition under the Mandate, without prejudice to the status of the

government control in 1967. Both parties will respect and comply with the above international boundary.

7. Phasing the discussion, agreement and implementation of the items above, including appropriate mechanisms for negotiations in specific fields.

8. Discussion on matters related to both tracks to be decided upon in common by the two tracks.

C. It is anticipated that the above en-deavor will ultimately, following the at-tainment of mutually satisfactory solutions to the elements of this agenda, culminate in a peace treaty.

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### A Handshake for Peace

#### Tough but Possible

What happened on Monday at the White House was only a ceremony to sign a firstsmall-piece-of-peace agreement between Israed and the PLO. But what a ceremony! Yes, there was a text, and not an insignificant one. Fhere was a pack of dignitaries. But what caught the imagination of the crowd in the sun and, most certainly, around the world was the spectacle of two seemingly permanent foes not only coming to terms but coming together and not only appearing together but shaking hands.
This was the unforgettable moment when an

easy smiling Yasser Arafat reached out to Yitzhak Rabin, who by speech (this is "not so easy," he had just said) and body language had advertised his reluctance. The Israeli prime thinister took the PLO chairman's hand.

· A myth has arisen from the recent Mideast dazzle to the effect that Israel and the PLO could have made peace years and even decades ago. It seems so natural and plausible and fated ago. It seems so natural and plausible and taled now. But this is to ignore the deep sources of their animosity and rivalry. It trivalizes the Israeli-Palestinian dispute not to realize that it was real and irreducible: two peoples, one land. Only when the two had exhausted the quest for

#### *'Enough!'*

The hostility between Arabs and Israelis has yielded nearly a half-century of warfare and only a few moments of promise. Monday brought the brightest promise of all: reconciliation between the two main parties to the conflict, Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization. Before a glittering crowd of 3,000 on the White House lawn and a worldwide television audience of millions, these old enemies came together to recognize each other's right to exist.

No flags, no anthems, no saluting cannons. Yet those who watched and listened will find it hard to let go of their memories. Yitzhak Rabin and Yasser Arafat squinting at each other across a distance of a few feet and many vears of hostility. Bill Clinton coaxing a dramatic handshake from the two men. All three - president, prime minister and PLO chairman - working the crowd afterward.

To Mr. Arafat, the moment meant "putting an end" to Palestinians' "feelings of being wronged." To Shimon Peres, the Israeli foreign minister, it was "a revolution: yesterday a dream, today a commitment." But it was left to Mr. Rabin, a hero of the 1967 war that brought Israeli occupation to the very territories that the Palestinians now hope to reclaim, to say - indeed to trumpet - what seemed to be on everyone's mind: "Enough of blood and tears. Enough!"

The preliminary peace agreement begins the first stages of Israeli military withdrawal and Palestinian self-rule in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank. It commits Israel to the princi-

unilateral advantage could they begin to explore mutual accommodation. It took courage, and there were policy errors aplenty, but it took time and experience and blood, too.

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The Palestinian side needs quick relief from occupation and a start on development. The Israeli side needs a quick ending to the intifada and effective PLO checks on terrorism. That is just for openers. Mr. Arafat anxiously catalogued some of the most troubling, other issues Jerusalem, Israel's West Bank settlers, Palestinian refugees, boundaries - which his constituents expect him to deliver on Israel's claims for security and regional acceptance weigh no less heavily on Mr. Rabin.

All tough, but all possible to do in the now shared Israeli-Palestinian view. This is the new excitement. It becomes the more credible when one listens hard to what Israelis and Palestinians now are saying to each other. Israel's security, Mr. Arafat said, rests onof having an end to (the Palestinians') feelings of having been wronged and of having suffered a historic injustice." A new chapter opens, said Mr. Rabin, "in the sad book of our lives together." The language anyway sounds as if these are people serious about peace. -THE WASHINGTON POST.

ple that the Palestinians are a distinct people entitled to negotiate their own destiny. It commits the Palestinians to the principle that

their Israeli neighbors are on the land to stay,

and are to be lived with in peace. This is by no means a final peace. Many crucial disputes remain to be negotiated. Mr. Rabin does not have unanimous support in his own country, nor does Mr. Arafat among the Palestinians. Further progress will require not only the goodwill so obvious on the White House lawn but the continued encouragement moral political and financial - of the

West, particularly the United States.

Among the purposes of Monday's choreography was to give this fragile accord the momentum of America's blessing. To that end, Mr. Clinton rounded up as many Americans as he could who had played significant roles in the Middle East. One was Jimmy Carter, whose nurturing brought forth the Camp David agreements that began the process of exchanging land for peace. Another was George Bush, who exploited the end of the Cold War and victory in the Gulf to bring

Arabs and Israelis to the bargaining table. Somebody with a shrewd sense of symbolism also arranged to invite hundreds of young Palestinians and Israelis and put them in front. It was to them that Mr. Clinton spoke when he offered this summary of the agreement: "A brave gamble that the future can be better than the past." And it was on them that he wished the hope that millions share for all generations of Israelis and Arabs: "The quiet miracle of a normal life."

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Dangers, Hurdles **And Hope**

By Rashid Khalidi

FERUSALEM — For 26 years it J was illegal to possess a Palestin-ian flag in the occupied territories. On Monday, young men waved flags openly as they drove in jubilant. horn-honking processions through the refugee camps, villages and nar-row city streets of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

They were reflecting what many Palestinians here feel about the agreement signed in Washington: the misery of two and a half decades of occupation has been so intense that almost any change is welcome.

Some changes that have already taken place, such as mutual recogni-tion between the Palestinian and Israeli peoples, were greeted with pleasure by the majority of Palestinians. And the possibility that the accord marks the end of the tide of Israeli settlements in the occupied territories and of the historical process of expul-sion of the Palestinians from their homeland is also significant.

But the obstacles that still stand in the way of a lasting peace, and of the Palestinian stability and prosperity that would guarantee it, are perity max .... truly daunting.

For one thing, the framework of the peace process, with its phases and interim phases, is unnecessarily constricted and complicated — a legacy of Israel's Likud government and of conditions imposed by American officials on the Madrid negotiations that led to the new agreement. This formula played a major part in presenting la played a major part in preventing progress on the Palestinian-Israeli track for nearly two years; it was finally jettisoned by the Israelis and the Palestine Liberation Organization, but the idea of phases is still with us.

The negotiators will have to face not only the complexity of the issues themselves but also the involvement of an American "full partner" whose contribution has so far been less than constructive. In recent months, the input of American policymakers has been so one-sided that it exasperated not only Palestinians but even the Israelis themselves.

This was most evident during the May and June rounds of Palestinian-Israeli negotiations, when U.S. policymakers intervened, presenting draft documents that were unacceptable to both sides. In both cases the American drafts were less forthcoming to the Palestinians than the Israelis' drafts: a U.S. draft of a "declaration of principles" went beyond the Israelis' proposals on a whole array of crucial issues, including who might ultimately have sovereignty over the territories.

Unless the Clinton administration

can learn to play an impartial role taking as a starting point what the parties themselves say they want in-stead of what the United States continue to be neither a mediator nor an honest broker, but rather a major obstacle in the path of peace.

And even if all goes well in the many months of painful negotiations to come, the results are bound to be meager: nothing more than the shape of interim arrangements for fewer than half the Palestinian people (those in the West Bank and the Gaza

The really hard issues - the status of Jerusalem, the disposition of Israesettlements, Palestinian statehood and sovereignty, the issue of refugees, to name just a few — are to be left to

"final status" talks. Many Palestinians will not benefit from these arements for years, if ever — particularly those in Lebanon and Syria (most of them 1948 refugees and their descendants) — and they have good reason to be dissatisfied.

Beyond these problems, still others loom farther down the path to a lasting peace. Two are particularly serious: the dependence of the Palestinian economy on that of Israel, and the ability of the Palestinian interim government to deal with the vast economic and social problems of the people who will gradually come un-der its control.

The declaration of principles calls

In the end, the outcome of the Palestinians' leap of faith is mainly up to the Palestinians themselves.

for a very high degree of cooperation between Israel and the Palestinian interim government, particularly in the domains of water, energy, finance, investment, industry, communications and transportation. It calls for joint projects in textiles, food, electronics, diamonds and computers. In principle these are all wonderful

ideas. But anyone even vaguely familiar with the Palestinian economy riddled by well over a quarter century of disinvestment, neglect of the infra-structure and Israeli obstructionism cooperation between two such unequal partners.

For the 2 million people of the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, and the tens of thousands displaced from the territories since the Six-Day War in 1967 but now entitled to return, sperity depends on integration of

ian economy must be fundamentally restructured to decrease its near-total dependence on the Israeli economy, and also to foster greater autonomy and greater balance in its

relations with other partners. The details of the accord do not bode well for such autonomy, or for any such balance, particularly since there has been no move so far to negotiate parallel economic agreements with the neighboring Arab countries and the European Community.

This is not yet an irremediable flaw. But for Palestmians who have seen the

vast power of the Israeli manufacturing and agricultural lobbies to shape their government's economic policies in the occupied territories, extreme caution seems in order.

So, too, with the powerful Palestinian economic interests, many of which have already taken tentative steps to-ward cooperation with Israeli businesses. Again, in principle this is a wonderful thing. And the active in-volvement of the major Palestinian banking construction, investment and accounting firms, which have contributed so much to creating and sustain-ing the prosperity of numerous Arab countries, is essential if there is to be a strong Palestinian economy.

But those firms and the people who control them have their own interests. These may or may not coincide with the pressing needs of a population that has been deprived and oppressed for more than a generation.

This brings us to the heart of the problem: How well will the new Pal-estinian interim government balance the competing interests it will represent - those of big business and other parts of society, those of the Palestinians inside Palestine and those outside, those of people dis-placed since 1967 and those of refugees from 1948, and so forth?

a devastated economy and society, in the Gaza Strip in particular, for rapid, equitable and sustainable development? At the same time, how will it respond to the people's need for democratic political expression and strong effective governance?

The answers to these questions, far more than problems of security for Palestinians and Israelis, will determine whether we are on the brink of peace, or of a slide into chaos and ungovernability on the model of Somalia and many other countries in the post-Cold War era.

Many people fear that security --Yardsticks for a Democratic Peace

### Will Arabs Stretch For Peace?

By A. M. Rosenthal

N EW YORK —So now it is up to the Arabs, in the new Palestine being created and far beyond. Last Feb. 15, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel said that the more the Palestine Liberation Organization lost its authority, the better it would be for progress toward peace. Two weeks later he said Yasser Arafat himself was a big obstacle to ge-peace. And on May 3. Foreign Minister Shimon Peres wrote a letter to the American Zionist Organization: Supported by hard evidence, we believe the PLO is engaged in terrorist activities and is therefore no partner

for any negotiations or dialogue."
But a few months later, in a day that would move a stone to hope, the two Israelis stood with Mr. Arafat at the White House. They had opened its doors to him by recognizing him and his organization as the represen-tatives of the Palestinian people. And they had agreed to a peace plan that is bound to lead to an independent

Palestine, sooner than later. For Mr. Arafat it was a sudden pinnacle — recognition, world ap-plause, immediate control over Gaza and Jericho, and the clear road to Palestine. In exchange, he had only to repeat earlier commitments
— to kindly recognize Israel's right
to exist, and to end terrorism and
violence. He forgot to say that last

particularly the potential for violent Palestinian opposition to these agree-ments — will be the Achilles' heel of

the current agreement. But this con-cern is misplaced. Whether there will be a violent Palestinian backlash against this agreement will not de-pend on the size and ruthlessness of

Palestinian security forces in sup-

pressing disorder and their willing-

Instead, it will depend mainly on whether the Palestmans can govern

themselves democratically; achieve

rapid economic growth; create a basic infrastructure; provide jobs, housing, schooling and proper medical care, and raise the abysmal standard of living in the occupied territories, especially the Gaza Strip. Success in these domains would isolate and signal and s

lence those who would violently dis-

But if government is autocratic,

partisan and undemocratic; if cor-

ruption is rampant, particularly in view of the billions in development

funds expected to flow into the area;

if narrow private interests are un-

transmeled in their pursuit of their own advantage — if all of this hap-pens, and if the basic social and eco-nomic problems of Palestinian society

are not addressed, the interim society are not addressed, the interim period will not move smoothly into "final status" talks ending in peace. It will degenerate into something far darker.

There are several sources of hope.

One is the deep desire of the Palesting of the Pales

ian people for peace and stability after so many decades of upheaval.

This will restrain much in the way of

possible violent reactions to the ac-

Another is the Palestinians' thirst

pression. If all goes well, this will be

articulated through a freely elected

assembly, a free press and vigorous political parties. Together they will

provide a strong check on arbitrary

government, cronyism and corrup-tion, making this government a mod-

A third reason for hope is the vast

reservoir of human resources and in-

stitutional skills that the Palestinians

have accumulated over the years but

have never been able to apply fully in

A major responsibility rests with the

international community to supervise

the elections to come, to hold the new-

ly elected government to a high stan-

dard and to ensure that funds for

economic development are not squan-

dered but are invested in projects of

The world community must also take care to safeguard the interests of

the Palestinian people, not solely pro-tect those of Israel — on which most

foreign involvement in Palestinian

affairs, especially that of the United

But in the end, the outcome of the Palestinians leap of faith is mainly

up to the Palestinians themselves. Whether they leaped of their own

volition or were pushed, they are now in midair. Where they will land — in a prosperous state alongside Israel in

lederation with Jordan, or in chaos,

civil war and renewed occupation — will be determined by nothing so

much as the hard choices the Pales-

tinian people and their leaders make in the months and years to come.

The writer directs the Center for Mid-

dle East Studies of the University of Chicago; he advised the Palestinian del-

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part at the White House.

As The Jerusalem Post has asked, what happened in the past six months to make the Israeli leaders change their minds about the worthiness of Mr. Arafat and the PLO as partners in creating peace? Labor gives no clear reply that I can find. But in the

logical answer lie the clues as to whether the hopes will live or die.

The PLO was staggering, bankrupt, abandoned by most of its Arab allies because of Mr. Arafat's adoration of Sudden Hursing due to tion of Saddam Hussein during the Gulf War as the true hope of the Palestinian cause.

The fundamentalists were growing in power on the West Bank. Recognition of the PLO by Israel can cut either way - reduce fundamentalists' influence or put them in position to take over an independent Pales-tine, perhaps by ballot, israel will not be able to send in the army when it does not like a change in the new Palestine's government,

It was not a sudden burst of confidence in Mr. Arafat that was the key to the Labor government's decision. It was the belief that the Arab nations, bereft of Soviet support and fearful of the fundamentalists they helped create, were ready for peace with Israel and that a deal with the Palestinians would speed the day.

So now it is up to the Arabs in and beyond Palestine. If they will it, peace can happen. But they will have to reach for it, stretch for it, accept risks - as has the current govern-

end to fear and killing. As Mr. Rabin said about his decision on the PLO, it will not be easy. For a half-century, officials, intellec-tuals, journalists, teachers and clergymen have supported and sustain

the war against Israel.

In their press, preaching and in broadcasts beamed to the world they vilified Israel not just as their own enemy but as the agent of imperial-ism, the enemy of all peoples newly come to freedom.

In countries in Africa and Asia where Jews had never lived, they came to be seen as evil. The line between Arab anti-Israeli propaganda and anti-Semitism is often impossible to find because often it does not exist. Foreigners who have an Israeli visa

in their passports are barred at Arab borders. For a half-century, Israel has been boycotted politically and economically without protest from most of the world. A declared end to boycotts, to cea-

seless hate propaganda, not as the price of treaties but now simply as acceptable international conduct is that asking too much too early, as I am often told? No - it is a half-

century overdue.

Geography has not changed for Israel. Mr. Rabin, like his predecessors, once believed that the West Bank was essential to give Israel the needed mobilization hours if war came. Now he believes that security lies more in peace arrangements than in time and space. Many Israelis and foreign friends of Israel, including

me, are nervous about that, Having committed itself, as is its right, the Labor government can say or do little to assuage those fears. From now on, it is up to the Arabs to do that - Arabs in Palestine and Arabs far beyond.

#### egation to the peace talks from October 1991 to last June. He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

#### 1893: He Died Flockless

PARIS - The French Socialist Party has lost its theorising leader, Benoft Malon. His death will be keenly felt by all the Socialists of Europe. Benoit Malon, who started on the lowest rung of the social ladder (he began life as a shepherd, and only learnt to read when he was nineteen years of age), had arrived, by the power of his intelligence, at the highest conceptions of the human mind. He believed that the people could understand what he called "integral Socialism," and yet even philosophers found it difficult to follow his ideas. He had, therefore, but little influence over the masses whose lot he wished to improve, and nothing will remain of him but the memory of a theorist and some thick volumes which will be summed up in a few short lines in the history of Socialism.

1918: Please Refrain!

NEW YORK -- Fifty women living on the upper west side of Manhattan, after the shooting.

all advocates of prohibition, have sent a letter to Governor Whitman asking him to sign a pledge to refrain from the use of intoxicants as an example to others.

#### 1943: Colonel Convicted

SELFRIDGE FIELD, Michigan -From our New York edition: Colonel William T. Colman, former commandant of this Army air base, was convicted today [Sept. 14] by a court martial of careless use of firearms and on four counts of drunkenness, and was ordered reduced in rank to a captaincy. The major charge against Colonel Colman was the hooting and wounding of Private William McRae, Negro chauffeur, at the base here May 5. The original charge on this count was assault with intent to do bodily harm. The court reduced this to careless use of firearms. Testifying on this allegation. Colonel Colman said that his mind

#### the Palestinian economy with those of the world and the region. Strip) for five years at most. But at the same time, the Palestin-

Half the adults in the United States cannot earlier decades, Americans were more acceptread or do simple math, according to an ing of social inequities, while the economy was ing. But what does it really tell us about America's ability to function as a society?

Things are not getting worse. As the study observes, "Today we are a better educated and more literate society than at any time in our history." Second, even those who do have problems with sentences and sums do not seem to feel at a disadvantage. Most of the respondents at the two lowest levels of proficiency (respondents were divided into five levels) said they could read or write English 'well" or "verv well."

What has changed, and it is a recent change. are Americans' expectations. Only in the last 20-odd years, for instance, have colleges and universities become truly serious about increasing the diversity of their student bodies. Only in that period have Americans begun to expect anything like truly equal opportunity at success for all Americans.

As a nation, America is still shedding the durable assumption that a literate elite would make the decisions for a less educated majority. The kind of egalitarianism that demands truly equal opportunity is still in its infancy, a struggling legacy of the civil rights movement and idealism of the 1960s.

Another change during the last two decades is in the nature of work in America. Wellpaying jobs requiring little education have been disappearing. At the same time, the growth of the suburbs has depleted the cities of their middle-class residents, the people who pay property taxes to finance schools and who protest most effectively when schools do not deliver. Just as it becomes harder to get good work without a good education, good educa-tion itself is becoming more clusive for the increasingly isolated children of the cities.

The survey, conducted by the people who conduct the Scholastic Aptitude Tests for college admission, confirms conventional wisdom: The more literate you are, the less likely you are to depend on food stamps or be in prison, and

the more likely to have a decent income. But it is almost certain that the same things could have been said at any point in America's have changed, and so has the job market. In

history. The difference now is that sensibilities

**Lots of Illiterate Americans** 

For those who can read it, the lesson is pretty clear. Disinvestment in American cities, and particularly in their public schools, is dangerous. While more Americans expect a fair shot at success, the gap between skilled and unskilled workers' income, particularly between those with and without college degrees, gets wider. A large percentage of people who scored in the bottom group on this survey were older, or were immigrants, or had physical, mental or health problems. But that still leaves many who could not solve everyday problems such as reading a pay stub or a bus schedule. The workplace of the 21st century

will have very few places for such people. Such a message tests another kind of literacy: the ability to read the message in conflicting social and economic trends, and to act accordingly. Reading this survey, it is hard to escape the conclusion that Americans are badly undereducated for the times and that the United States needs to invest widely in public education.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Other Comment

#### Hard Work in the Mideast

The surprise move by Israel and the PLO was a success. Now comes the patient, tough work. What was signed in Washington was a first step. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is a sober general; he has done everything possible to keep the euphoria in check.

The first step must be followed by others. Israeli troops in the occupied areas must be pulled back, and the PLO must guarantee law and order. The demonstrations in Palestinian refugee camps that coincided with the signing ceremony reflect the dimensions of the problem. The Europeans will have to play a part, in the form of enormous amounts of aid, since

someone who is not hungry is more peaceful. One should also recall Chapter 2 of Camp David: Two years later the courageous Anwar Sadat was murdered by extremists.

-- Die Welt (Hamburg).



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### By David Ignatius

WASHINGTON — Snapshot of the past: It is 1982, and I am in the living room of a Palestinian fam-ily in the West Bank town of Halbul. My bost, a fler checking the door, hands me a box of tissues. I don't hands me a box of tissues. I don't understand why he is exchanging furtive smiles with his other guests for a modern democratic state. · When Islamic fundamentalists until I look more closely. The cover of

The right kind of peace will bring democracy and human rights. The wrong kind will turn Gaza and the West Bank into

the box is green, white, red and black
—like the flag of the Palestine Liber-

ation Organization, whose public dis-

play has long been a crime in the occupied territories. That defiant box of tissues came back to me last week as I read the amazing accounts of the peace agree-ment between Israel and the PLO, In the West Bank town of Jenin, one report said, students were in the streets parading under the forbidden flag. They seemed to understand that it was

versions of Beirut.

over; a page of history had turned. The last few weeks have been a pinch-yourself kind of time. Gradually, caution has given way to hope, even joy, at the prospect of peace. But Middle East history teaches that the wrong kind of peace can create its own deadly problems.

The right kind of peace will bring democracy and human rights to the occupied territories. The wrong kind will turn Gaza and the West Bank into another Beirut - or simply a continuation of the miserable status quo under different management. Here are some ways you will know

that the new Palestinian government of Gaza-Jericho is on the right track: • When the Jericho Post begins publishing a five-part series exposing the corruption of President Yasser Arafat, and nobody tries to censor it. When the new Gaza police force rejects Israel's offer to provide train-

ing for its cops - saying that Israel's past use of "moderate physical and psychological pressure" against Pal-estinian detainees is inappropriate

from Hamas win local elections in Gaza, and nobody panies and tries to rve the elections annulled. When Israeli and Palestinian bankers ioin to make Jericho a Levantine version of the Cayman Islands -

and financiers rush to invest. What is needed, in short, is a democratic peace. That is the great gift that Israel and the PLO can bestow on each other — and on the rest of the Middle East. They can create a

new Arab state that is genuinely dem-

ocratic, a bridge to democracy for the rest of the Arab world. "The seeds of democracy are there, but how do you nurture them?" asks Odeh Aburdene, a prominent Palestinian-American banker. His answer is investment and economic growth. There were hopeful signs last week not just for peace, but for prosper-

ity. The largest company in Israel, Koor Industries Ltd., is planning to invest \$60 million in joint ventures with Palestinians in the West Bank. according to Business Week. And plans are afoot for a monthly magazine in English that would be jointly edited by Israelis and Pales-

timians and distributed in Israel and

the Arab world. The venture has al-

ready found offices in Jerusalem. One man who could play a key role in developing the territories is Hassib Sabbagh, a Palestinian who owns Consolidated Contractors Co., the biggest construction company in the Middle East. His company has built everything from pipelines to universities, from shopping centers to hotels. Two-thirds of his employees are said to be Palestinians. His personal fortune is estimated at \$300 million.

A likely channel for investment by wealthy Palestinians is a group known as the Wellare Association, based in Geneva. In addition to Mr. Sabbagh, the group includes Abdel-Majid Sho-man, who heads Amman-based Arab Bank Ltd. This group is said to be

considering buying millions in "Arafat bonds," to finance new projects in the

West Bank and Gaza. Building up the economy in the occupied territories may prove to be the easy part. Much harder will be building a framework for democracy. "We've been talking for 40 years about self-determination," said Fatch Azzam, head of the rights organization Al Haq in Jerusalem. "But self-deter-mination isn't something that happens

just once, in a liberation movement. It has to happen every day."

By Arab standards, the PLO has been relatively democratic. It had a "parliament" that regularly denounced Mr. Arafat; it had an executive committee where Mr. Arafat

sometimes lost. More important in recent years was the intifada. Until it collapsed into vigilantism, the uprising taught ordinary Palestinians to think for themselves, without waiting for orders from PLO headquarters in Tunis.

The trickiest problem for the new Palestinian government will be containing the violence of the radical Islamic group Hamas. The key, said Fatch Azzam, is to find a way to draw Hamas into the democratic process. 'Hamas will be a political force like other political forces," he said.
"They'll have to be dealt with in 2 emocratic fashion.

Other analysts argue that if Hamas continues to resist the peace process, the PLO will have to move quickly with Israeli help - to destroy Hamas's power base. It will take the kind of intelligence work that Mr. Arafat excelled at in Lebanon, penetrating his rivals' organizations, bribing their members, seizing their weapons

"If there is a spurt of terrorism from Hamas, Arafat has the resources to silence it," said Jamil Mroue, a Lebanese publisher. "But after that, he must deal with people differently than he did in Lebanon. The Palestinians in the territories have imbibed Israeli democracy for 26 years. They won't Stand for Beirut tacties."

The writer, an assistant managing editor of The Washington Past, is author of "The Bank of Fear," a novel about the Middle East to be published

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was a blank for some time before and

### Clinton, Like Truman, Gropes in a Changed World

WASHINGTON — In the Cold War, cartoonists and writers popularized the imagery of an American president playing complex foreign policy that America must conduct?

president paused at the question, smiling slightly as if waiting for a gaming muse to speak to him. We had just come in from the patio of the Oval Office and a brief viewing of preparations for Monday's visu-

raeli-Palestinian peace ceremony.

"Poker is closer than chess," Bill Clinton said finally on Sunday afternoon. "You could play poker with quite a number of actors. We live in a world where there are still an enormous number of problems that still threaten our interests and our values ... Sometimes I

By Jim Hoagland

chess, or perhaps poker, against tures the fast pace and puzzling the Soviet adversary. What is the spins of the new foreign policy right image today for the more game played by world leaders.

complex foreign policy that Ameri—The Middle East breakthrough has drawn Mr. Clinton back into America's first post-Cold War deep personal engagement in that game after a long concentration ing for health care reform and reinventing government.

He gives the impression that he put a foot wrong since the deal sees the Israeli-Palestinian accord became public, promoting and ally and emotionally gratifying Isas an opportunity for a fresh start managing the signing ceremony call-Palestinian peace ceremony, on that much criticized work-inhere with skill. He has cleared the progress, the Clinton Doctrine of eign Policy. Memories of his bold support for Boris Yeltsin in by the agonies of Bosnia, the con-troversy of NAFTA and the unpredictability of Somalia.

He easily flicks away, and justifialmost feel instead of poker or ably, the facile criticism that the

chess it is "Twenty Questions." secrecy of the Israeli-Palestinian
The president's mild irony capdeal demonstrated U.S. diplomatic weakness. Back-channel talks were the best, and probably only, way for the PLO and Israel to reach an agreement that they would honor fully. He did well to keep the public talks on track during the region's serious blowups over Palestinian on passing the budget and prepar- deportations and during July's oneweek artillery war in Lebanon.

Moreover, Mr. Clinton has not

way for more progress by issuing a barrage of public statements promising continued economic aid the spring have been muscled aside and diplomatic support to Israel. His statements were designed "to build a sense of security among the rank-and-file people in Israel" and to encourage them to give the Israeli government "the freedom of

> trading land for peace. On the Arab side, he has worked the telephones hard to get King Fahd of Saudi Arabia and Hafez Assad of Syria to accept the Palestinian bid for peace.

maneuver" to take the next steps in

Unfazed by carping on the Mid-dle East, Mr. Clinton is seriously nettled by what he sees as ill-informed criticism from the right that he is giving away U.S. sover-eignty to the United Nations. He named no names, but recent articles by Henry Kissinger and Jeane Kirkpatrick have been read with particular displeasure at the State Department and the White House.

Mr. Clinton does have a more open attitude on increased American participation in UN peace-keeping. But in Presidential Deci-sion Directive 13, classified secret but uncovered by the Pentagon reporter of The Washington Post, Bart Gellman, Mr. Clinton has reportedly vetoed contributing

the coalition to imply that those who disagree with it "have taken

selves to a higher standard," Mr. Wilhelm preached. Mr. Reed later complained

that the Democratic chairman had abused his hospitality and maligned the organization. But oddly, the very press lunch where Mr. Reed took umbrage provided evidence of why organizations should step carefully in linking their political views to any version of scripture. The Christian Coalition, it seems, had flipflopped on the North American

During the summer, Mr. Reed had put the organization foursquare behind approval of NAFTA. "NAFTA means 150,000 jobs," he said then, "and iobs are at the heart of the pro-

But early this month, he said At last week's press lunch, the

endorsement had disappeared.

not have a monopoly on truth. The Washington Post.

thority over American units.

As on most things, Mr. Clinton have an opportunity. takes a middle course on multilateralism, trying to distinguish those some but not decisive influence" decisive influence." Bosnia is a clear example of the first category in his mind. He cited aid to Russia, Haiti and the Middle East talks as

examples of the second.

Twice during our 40-minute conversation the president put strong emphasis on simultaneously protecting "American interests and American values" abroad. His intent is to put American national values, such as promoting democracy and human rights, on a par with national interests. This duality would be a hallmark of Clinton foreign policy.

Preventive diplomacy, he says, could have perhaps headed off

"the mindless conduct in very poor countries that led to the destruc

Cementing the Peace

Regarding "Cement Peace Here and There With Development"

(Opinion, Sept. 10) by Adnan

Mr. Khashoggi's ideas deserve the world's attention. It is inherent

in all conflicts that the resources of the adversaries are dissipated and

consequently the people on both

sides suffer terribly. Mr. Kha-

shoggi proposes an international agreement to add a flat fee to the

price of crude oil. The formula can

certainly be adjusted to reflect the

internal consumption of crude oil

produced by a country that is both

a producer and an importer of crude, such as the United States.

The appeal of Mr. Khashoggi's

proposal is that political settlement

of regional conflicts must be ac-

companied by opportunities for

development and participation in

economic projects. As a physician,

I would urge that a certain propor-tion of available funds be allocated

for public health: vaccinations,

clinics, hospitals, child health and

Israeli-Palestinian conflict is the

that have successfully resolved

Mr. Khashoggi's proposal de-

Considering the current U.S.

economic policy of focusing on in-

ternal recovery, Mr. Khashoggi's suggestion is possibly the most workable idea for funding the real-

ization of long-lasting peace in the

Middle East. His proposal has

credibility. The issues it raises

Mr. Khashoggi shows us an ex-citing direction for the world. We should urge our various govern-ments to let him take leadership to

make his program work for coun-tries like Sudan and Somalia —

countries that Mr. Khashoggi

knows well and has shown concern

NICHOLAS F. WAKIM

Melbourne.

should be further discussed.

SAMI A. HASHIM.

New York.

serves serious consideration.

America would benefit.

Another attractive feature of

standby force authorized by Arti-cle 43 of the UN Charter. More-over, the directive requires still un-over, the directive requires still unspecified arrangements to keep in cannot solve every problem every-U.S. hands ultimate command au- where. We need mechanisms to sort out the places where we do

He is seeking to identify those mechanisms as he takes on the situations where "we can have task of "redefining the national interest now that the Soviet Union from those where "we can have is no longer there." It should be neither surprising nor distressing, he suggests, that he did not arrive in office with a preconceived global vision. He compares the present to the late 1940s, when Harry Truman was president and it took two to three years to sort out new institutions and concepts as the

Cold War began. This is the Twenty Questions part of his job. But it only makes the president's ultimate conclusion about foreign policy more striking.
As the world's remaining superpower, the United States "has a unique obligation to lead," he says with fervor. It has fallen to Bill Clinton to find how to do that in a still changing world.

The Washington Post.

### For a Sweet New Year in Germany

By Michael Kallenbach

lived in Berlin. They were the motor for much of the city's intellectual and economic power. The number today, of course, is far smaller. Knowledge of Jewish

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life and contact between Germans and Jews is sadly minimal. I would guess that most Germans have as much contact with Jews as I have with Eskimos. My parents fled Berlin before anti-Jewish policies were fully ap-

plied. Ours was never a particular-

ly religious family, but the main holidays — Pesach, or Passover, and Rosh Hashanah, the New Year — were important to us. My first Pesach in East Berlin after the fall of the Wall came in the Rykestrasse synagogue, A rabbi had been brought from Israel to help explain the meaning of religion to the former Commu-

BERLIN — Before Hitler came to power, 170,000 Jews lived in Berlin. They were the possibly for the first time in their lives, unafraid to admit their religious beliefs and eager to learn more about their heritage.

Since then I have always made a point of going to services at Rykestrasse — if only to help boost attendance.

I have made an effort to invite non-Jews to my table on important Jewish holidays. Germans who have vacationed in Israel complain that they have little contact with the timy Jewish commu-nity here, and would like more. A 10-year-old girl who lives in

my five-story walk-up and comes to play with my dogs gets an ex-planation about Rosh Hashanah as she keenly tastes a special piece of cake with honey — for a sweet new year. All this is part of my small contribution to keeping the Jewish flame alive in Germany. Unlike New York, Jewish holidays in Germany pass unnoticed.

Why should Germans know of the Jewish tradition of taking the scrolls out of the ark during Sabbath services, or the bar mitzvah, which signifies the transition from boyhood to manhood?

They identify more easily with the likes of Moses Mendelssohn, the Enlightenment philosopher who led Berlin's Jews from cultural seclusion to a degree of assimilation, or with well-known Jewish artists, painters and writers.

But responsibility lies with individual lews and the Jewish community at large to open their doors and homes, especially at holiday time. This would make people more aware of what Jewish culture and religion are about. It would begin to cement

Surely many a Jew would welcome an invitation to experience a traditional Christmas Heiligabend, with that crackling roast goose and red cabbage. Why miss the chance to celebrate two sets of year-end holidays a year? International Herald Tribune.

### America's Religious Right Again

WASHINGTON — The By David S. Broder meeting here last weekend of Pat Robertson's Christian Co-

alition was an instructive event. The 2,000 grass-roots delegates. representing perhaps three-quar-ters of a million adherents, gave strong voice to the assertion that they intend to play a bigger role in American politics. Many thought that the political mobilization of conservative Protestant fundamentalists and their allies in other faiths had crested at the Republican convention last year. But that notion has been disabused by the organizational energy of Mr. Rob-

ertson's group.

A dozen state Republican organizations are either run by or heavily influenced by Christian Coalition adherents. The television evangelist's group is active in campaigns this fall from Virginia economic matters. Then they read to California. "The tide is turning," said the sign in the hotel ballroom where the coalition met. and none of those present thought

it was turning against them. Church-based political movements are nothing new. Drives for abolition of slavery and outlawing of alcoholic beverages, struggles against war and, most recently, the civil rights movement, had their roots in the pul-

pits and pews. But because they lay claim to a higher motivation, the religious movements tend to take on a tone that can become strident and intolerant. That is what happened when Mr. Robertson and the conservative commentator Patrick Buchanan were given prominent places at the last Republican convention in Houston - alienating

Mr. Buchanan was apparently the crowd favorite at the Christian Coalition convention. His welcome gives the lie to the efforts by Mr. Robertson and his smooth deputy, Ralph Reed, to move the coalition into the political mainstream. It was Mr. Reed who announced this spring that the coalition was broadening its agenda beyond its focus on abortion, homosexuality and school prayer

Dole and Phil Gramm took this talk seriously and focused their remarks to the Christian Coalition last weekend on those mainstream that Mr. Buchanan had trumped them with a speech calling for a new third party if the Republicans so much as trilled with the uncompromising anti-abortion language in their platform. Cheers also greeted his shots at Hillary Rod-ham Clinton as the villainess in

It was that kind of performance that the Democratic national chairman, David Wilhelm, sion of the convention. To the Mr. Wilhelm identified himself as a practicing Christian who is also an advocate of abortion rights and, of course, of President

some voters in the process.

and would take on the economy, health care and other issues. Speakers like Jack Kemp, Bob

what he calls "a culture war."

decried when he spoke, at the invitation of Mr. Reed and Mr. Robertson, to the opening ses-

vocal displeasure of the audience, Bill Clinton's domestic policies. He said that it was wrong for

an un-Christian position." "People who organize as Christians should hold them-

Free Trade Agreement.

amily agenda we promote. that opposition from other conservatives might force the coalition to mute its support.

Frankly, I don't know what the Christian position" on NAFTA should be, or the Jewish, Muslim or Hindu position, for that matter. But I think it is pretty obvious that the Christian Coalition doesn't know either. A lot of Republicans would welcome Christian Coalition participation in their party more readily if it would concede that on many yexing issues, the religious right may

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR for in the past; countries that seem to have no way out of civil destruc-

tailed, might spread. CLAUDE KIRK North Palm Beach, Florida. The writer was governor of Flori-da from 1966 to 1970.

tion and disorder which, if not cur-

Right Idea, Wrong Site

It is a mistake of considerable magnitude for the Israelis and the estinians to have succumbed to White House temptation. The "cele-bration" in Washington of a most longed-for, yet still very precarious achievement can only weaken the authority, the standing and the following of Yasser Arafat, Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin. America would have better served the peace

by an exercise in discretion. If such a ceremony really was deemed advisable, the "celebration" should have been held in Oslo, where the accord was finally hammered out. Ideally, however, the "celebration" should take place on common ground in a solemn way,

part requiem, part thanksgiving. But the logiam of obstinacy has Mr. Khashoggi's proposal is his emphasis on "here and there." The now suffered its first crack - we pray a decisive one — thanks to persistent and courageous men obvious example, but other con-flicts in the Middle East, and in the who dared recognize that they had no alternative but to fulfill the will

of the majority. Like Menachem Begin, Yasser

Balkans, Africa, Asia and South The fund accrued from a fee on crude oil would not preclude continued direct assistance by industrial countries to those countries

Hindsight?

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best way is to go back and take a running start"

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Arafat is a terrorist-turned-statesman. May we encourage more such evolution rather than encourage good young people to become monsters. Let us remember that criminals and the law-abiding are made of the same material and are eventu-

ally responsible for each other. Both Israelis and Palestinians have proven that they are prepared to die for their Holy Land, Now may all of us live for it together. YEHUDI MENUHIN.

The Price of a Life

Regarding "Is High-Tech Life-Saving Noble or Simply a Waste?" (Opinion, Sept. 1):

Ronald Dworkin refers to the attempt to save the life of Angela Lakeberg as the continuation of the "rescue principle," in which patients whose chances for survival are slim are kept alive at high cost to the finances and resources of our society. He argues that such extreme cases should be left to nature, and the resources used on more viable patients.

It is lucky for me, and thousands of others like me, that Mr. Dworkin's view has not prevailed in the United States, I was born 23 years ago. Because of various congenital complications, extreme medical procedures were required to sus-tain my life. My parents were shortsighted to consider innovative and deputy mayor of Bethune.

informed that I had only a slim chance of survival. I spent the first 13 months of my life in the neonatal intensive care unit of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

My parents, like the Lakebergs, were unable to pay for all the costs. Once their personal insurance was exhausted, my father took an extra job on the weekends to pay for my medical expenses. The state of Pennsylvania mercifully absorbed the remaining costs.

If Mr. Dworkin requires practical reasons for such extreme measures, let him consider that the procedures used to save my life 23 years ago were relatively new and "high-tech." However, these same procedures are commonplace to-

day throughout the world. All pioneering medical proce-dures will be costly and risky initially, yet their eventual benefits may far outweigh their present costs. Who is to say which current procedures will be successful, and which will not, until they have been sufficiently attempted?

If the medical profession listened to people like Mr. Dworkin, then procedures that are commonplace today, such as organ transplants, would not have been developed. I appland the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia for not considering costs above the possibility of saving a child's life.

medical procedures on a solely economic basis.

SCOTT McBRIDE. Paris.

I can't imagine saying to a doctor, "I have analyzed the cost/success probability ratio of the medical treatment to possibly cure and save the life of my (fill in family member) and find it too low to justify treating him/her. Let the patient die so others with a more favorable ratio can be treated,

cured and live." We are not dealing with statistics here but people. If medicine ever forgets itself enough to become a purely bottom-line business, people will return to witch doctors.

ALFRED M. ROSSUM.

Difference in Deputies

Your reporting on the French soccer scandal persists in identify-ing Jacques Mellick as "deputy . mayor" of Bethune. The French title deputé-maire means he is both mayor of Bethune and its representative in the National Assembly. NIELS MARQUARDT.

Editor's Note: Mr. Marquardt is correct in his translation of the title 'deputé-maire." However, Mr. Meltick's office confirms that his French title is "deputé-maire adjoint." He is a member of the National Assembly

#### **BOOKS**

By Sébastien Japrisot. Translated from the French by Linda Coverdale. 327 pages. \$23. Farrar, Straus and Giroux. Reviewed by Richard Eder.

PROCRASTINATION is the I heart of writing, and by that measure, this review starts off with a lot of heart. You can struggle for days, not to say what you want but to resist saying what you don't want. It has been a battle to avoid writing about Sebastien Japrisot's novel about World War I, "A Very Long Engagement" as a kind of latter-day "War and Peace." I lost. It is a kind of "War and Peace."

This is not to call it an epic though in 300 compressed pages it has something of the spaciousness -or to fit it with the Great Novel collar. The Tolstoy reference is specific. "A Very Long Engagement" finds a chilling and humane way to evoke the trench-fought war of 1914-18, whose self-corrupting stasis was only an extreme variation of

what lodges in many other wars. Mathilde, a chestnut-haired, green-eyed young woman whose independent mind is in no way curbed, quite the contrary, by the fact that she is crippled, and who is fortified by her position as the indulged daughter of a wealthy family, learns in 1917 that her lover has been killed in action. He was a fisherman's son in the Landes. where Mathilde's family goes every summer. After some resistance he had been acknowledged as virtually

It would have been ordinary fading grief; or perhaps not, since, as

nothing in the least ordinary about Mathilde. But in 1919, a letter comes from a sergeant in a nearby veterans' hospital; he is dying and wants to see her. What he has to tell launches a book that is many things: a war story, a story of official corruption, an idyli of young summer love, and a rich and most original panorama of French men and women living in peace and robbed of it. Finally, giving it all an intent energy, it is a hybrid of the detective story and the classical

To explain the quest and the intuitive and stubborn detecting that propel Mathilde and her wheelchair into literary splendor, there is 1915, after a year of mud and mas-more than itself.

A VERY LONG ENGAGE. we come thrillingly to see, there is sacre in stinking trenches, French soldiers were shooting themselves in the hands or feet to get invalided out. General Philippe Pétain, the series of successive passes, each of hero of Verdun and, in 1940, of the Victivites, wanted to shoot 25 of them. Changing his mind, he ordered something less absolute, perhaps, but more ghastly. The order was kept secret and only confirmed, 50 years later, with the publication of a fellow-general's mem-

> It is impossible to describe all the different things the author succeeds in doing without making this into a list; still less is it possible to convey how he does it. His closeups and panoramic views are not only equally intense and compelthe scrap of history out of which Japrisot has fashioned his novel. In ly a detail that does not tell far

Japrisot, lucidly translated by Linda Coverdale, gives us not only the story but its characters in a which uncovers a new layer of color and configuration.
As for Mathilde, her evolution

and revelation is both similar and

She begins with immense charm but with elements of snobbery, willfulness and sentimentality. She be comes a genuine heroine - not of courage and persistence, merely, but of sheer brainy energy — yet the other qualities remain. We do not so much change as grow, Japrisot sug gests, and nothing is lost. There is brilliant light on her from beginning to end, and her only mystery is that of a life lived so completely as to entirely fulfill itself.

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By Richard Covington

ERLIN - "Berlin used to be a city in which it was impossible to buy a gun," the film director Wim Wenders says. "Now you can get anything you want — machine guns, rockets, grenades. We did a lot of research into the arms trade. One day our art director came back and told us he was offered a MiG for sale. We thought it was a joke, but he swore it was true,"

If anyone has tracked the soul of Berlin since the fall of the Wall, it has been Wim Wenders. His latest film, "Far Away, So Close!" — which opened this month in Europe — is a post-Wall morality tale, a haunting, meditative fable crying out against a city that has sold its soul. After the euphoria of unity, paradise was lost with a vengeance. In "Far Away," another fallen angel — Cassiel, not Lucifer — descends to redeem, not all humanity, only the remnants of one Berlin family violate of history. family, victims of history.

"Far Away. So Close!" - which was awarded the Jury Grand Prize at the Cannes festival in May - is the sequel to Wings of Desire," a metaphysical parable mourning the divided Berlin of six years ago.

"In 1987, no one could imagine that the Wall would fall, that men, like angels could cross the border," Wenders said in a recent interview. "When the Wall did fall, the whole world seemed to go off the rails. For an instant, the world seemed more reasonable. But soon enough, new wars flared up, looking everywhere for — and finding — new enemies. It was this moment or never to take up the story of Cassiel and to integrate it into the events that had taken place in Berlin.

"It was not a question of whipping up a proven recipe with Wings of Desire 2." We only wanted to revive the metaphor of the angel and the city." "Wings" ended with Cassiel perched atop the statue of a

gilded angel. He gazes down on Berlin, longing to become human like his fellow angel. In "Far Away," Cassiel, played by the German actor Otto Sander, takes the plunge—literally. Angels can only watch over men; they cannot interfere in their lives. By diving to earth to catch a girl who followed to halve the world of falls off a balcony, Cassiel thrusts himself into the world of time. Like the other Berliners around him, the fallen angel faces a newfound freedom and all its confusions. He becomes a drunk, holds up a convenience store, then decides to

"Why can't I be good?" he asks Lou Reed, taking the rocker's lyric as his anthem. In no time, he has cleaned up his



Wim Wenders, tracking the soul of Berlin.

act and unwittingly embroiled himself in a new business — trading pornographic films for weapons. Why can't be be

"You go anywhere in the East these days, in the smallest villages, and always the first new shop to open with something from the West is a video store," Wenders says. "They stock the worst sex and violence films that we in the West have grown bored with. All they have to offer in trade is arms."

Wenders composes scenes with the painterly precision and compressed emotion of a Renaissance master; the death of Cassiel is a conscious evocation of Caravaggio's "Deposition of Christ." When he turns to philosophy, his hand is less assured. It's an ambitious reach to squeeze divagations on time, on film's betrayal of reality, on the realm of the invisible, on the failures of Nazism and communism — all this into one film. Most of it works, but there is a bit that Wenders's pen?

Ozing an oily malevolence, Willem Dafoe plays Emit Flesti — that's Time Itself backwards — and pops up periodically with zen-like aphorisms about time. "Time is not money," says Flesti puzzlingly, "time is the absence of money." Despite the jury prize, the film received mixed reviews at Cannes. Over the summer, the director cut 20 minutes. Still

two hours and 15 minutes long, the trimmed version never seems to lag. The same reviewers who panned the film at Cannes see it now and wonder why they didn't like it," Wenders says. One obvious reason may have been that they were expecting another "Wings of Desire." The latest film is both more ambitious and less engaging than "Wings." which

was fundamentally a love story.

Unlike "Wings," which was largely written by the Austrian playwright and novelist Peter Handke, the script for "Far Away" was very much a collaborative free-for-all. Wenders and his co-writers, Ulrich Zieger and Richard Reitinger, conceived most of the scenes, but the actors chipped in their suggestions as well — in German, English, French, Italian and Russian. Wenders retained this Babel of languages to have the film serve as a metaphor for Europe.

Spontaneity has been a Wenders hallmark ever since he co-founded a production company in 1971 with another spontaneous German, Rainer Werner Fassbinder. At 48, Wenders is hardly a gray eminence of European cinema, but he is an authentic auteur, one of the few of his generation to inherit the mantle from earlier masters like Bergman and Fellini, Truffaut and Buffuel.

"Far Away, So Close!" is the director's 14th feature film. After years spent scraping together financing for his last feature, the 1991 film, "Until the End of the World," Wenders determined to produce "Far Away" on his own. The \$14 million budget was about half that for "Until the End of the World."

"I felt much more comfortable with the lower budget," he says. "It's about my limit of what I can raise without having

to scramble for co-production financing."

After "Far Away, So Close!" opens in the United States in November, Wenders plans to spend the winter writing his next film. "All I know is that it's a detective story and that I'll be shooting it in black and white," he says. "Dennis Hopper once told me not to volunteer too much information: I've taken his

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Kathryn Gamberoni as Monroe in the New York City Opera's "Marilyn."

### Pinter Back With Vengeance in 'Moonlight'

By Sheridan Morley International Heraki Tribuni

ONDON — At the Almeida, "Moonlight" certainly becomes Harold Pinter. His first fulllength (well, 75 minutes, full-length by his recent standards) play since it ends, claiming to be a local Chi-"Betrayal" back in 1978 is also by ness laundry when mother tries to far his most accomplished and complete since then. It tells of a rage against the dying of the light: Andy, played by Ian Holm in an equally welcome return to fullforce theatricality, is refusing to go gently into that good night, and around his deathbed an assortment of friends and relatives are wreaking revenge for his life as a distinct-

feared, but kept my obscene language for home, where it belongs"). Then there are their two sons, the brothers back from "The Homecoming" but now determined to deny their father's existence even as

phone them with the news. Add two superior, sinister neighbors who have almost certainly had affairs with the parents, and a teenage daughter, almost certainly

dead, who wanders among them as a reminder of the grandchildren they were denied, and you have all the ingredients that go into Pin-teresque: menace with mirth, the

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"Moonlight" marks a return to Pinter's theater theatrical after the more sketchy and desiccated civilrights fragments of recent time, and its importance lies not only in its homecoming to "The Homecoming" but also in its recognition of the vaudeville of life and death: "Enough to make the cat laugh; do we have a cat?" David Leveaux's production is a miracle of intelligent stagecraft, and richly deserves a West End transfer.

In the end, it is of course entirely possible that the whole of "Moonlight" may be a dream rather than a dance of death; certainly the performances of Anna Massey and Claire If uncivil servant.

We ased under the cocktail cabinet, Skinner as her ghostly daughter the roll calls of long-forgotten have an ethereal quality, superbly wife, waiting only for the end of a names that may once have had

lines of waking and sleeping living and dying. It is life seen in a halflight of forgotten memories and re-membered sorrows, and I do not see how it can be missed.

At Hampstead, Stephen Jeffreys's "A Going Concern" is a courageously autobiographical account of a family business going,

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going, gone. In this case it is his own. An old-established firm of billiard-table manufacturers is torn apart by three generations of internecine family warfare and the coming of American pool. But Jeffreys has always been good on work-in-progress and what plays so well here is the minute observation of old-fashioned craftsmen suddenly brought into a new world where their crafts are no longer required.

Chapel Brothers. Senior parental executive of a powdered-milk conhas looked ahead and not liked what it saw: "It's the future, mostly plastic." "A Going Concern" is their world crashing to the ground about the past, mostly nostalgic, by simply remarking on the ethical and about the fact that the best void in which they are all living. families make the worst partners.

At the Royal Court, Terry John-metaphors for the bleak impersonson's "Hysteria" is another of his ality of multinational business "what if" psycho-farces. After the practice; but his play is a moral meeting of Marilyn Monroe and parable about the destruction of

marriage he has made miserable some shadowy significance but are ("No civil servant ever gives house room to love: I was envied and gerous conversation." act of the uncaring brothers (Middin fact take place, and around it chael Sheen and Douglas Hodge). Johnson has constructed a wongroup to love: I was envied and gerous conversation. that darkens into a Freudian case history gone horribly awry.

> Phyllida Lloyd's infinitely agile production gives us three great performances: Henry Goodman as a Feydeanesque Freud, forever bolting the stable door after the neurotic symptoms have bolted; Tim Potter as a gangling manic Dali watching his own clocks melt into the walls, and Phoebe Nicholls as the girl in the cupboard who is also the cause of all the trouble. "Hysteria" is that contemporary rarity, hugely thoughtful and brilliantly developed farce which knows ex-actly when the laughter has to stop.

T the Tricycle, "Three Hotels" is a rapid transfer from off-Broadway of Jon Robin Baitz's drama of multinational and domestic corruption. The play takes the form of a set of monologues, three The white heart of the 1960s in this case, of which the first and technological revolution has gone a last are delivered by Peter Egan as bit cool around the workplace of the high-flying but seldom-landing by Lindsay Duncan as the wife who manages to bring his career and

Baitz uses his three hotel rooms as parable about the destruction of Einstein for "Insignificance," he the Third World by the board-rooms of the other two, and it is dor Dali and Freud in immediately prewar Hampstead. The encounter tion by Jack Gold.

### Marilyn, Now an Opera

Dying young

on Marilyn

Monroe's fame.

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### Where Popular Culture Dances With High Art

By Leo Braudy

New York Times Service EW YORK --- Who was Marilyn Monroe, and why do we keep talking about her? The books and articles started during her life and have only increased since her suicide in 1962. Even at the time, her films could easily be read as chunks of displaced autobiography, served up for her audience to put together with the actual life being played out in the newspapers.

Since her death, her story has been endlessly retold, analyzed and even caricatured: her unhappy childhood, her physical beauty, her esthetic aspirations, her marriages, her affairs, her cultural significance and even — every once in a while — her movies.

"The candle burned out long ago,/ The legend never did," Elton John sang about her in "Candle in the Wind." Now it is the New York City Opera's turn to

Ezra Laderman and libretto by

Norman Rosten, is scheduled for Oct. 6 as part of a premiere festival celebrating the company's 50th aurector and designer; Kathryn Gamberoni plays Monroe.

Dying young certainly put the seal on Monroe's fame. Along with James Dean and Elvis Presley, John and Robert Kennedy, Mal-colm X and Martin Luther King

Jr., she stands preserved in the amber of the American imagination, an unfinished per- 1973 book "Marilyn: An Untold Story, son whose meaning can be constantly argued, whose possibilities death made endless.

John Woo's 1990 Hong Kong film "Bullet in the Head," the hero parts crowds for his young wife by proclaiming, "Here comes Marilyn Mouroe": a trib
her death, though Rosten admits in the book to tring ute to a goddess whose way of defining beauty transcends her own ethnicity. Monroe was a public person, and in her comic films

and her early interviews she mocked the excesses of her public image in a modulated Mae West style. But as with so many stars of the time (Garland, Brando, Clift, Dean, Taylor), an essential part of her appeal was not the comic control but the potential dissolution. Through her marriages and divorces, her miscar-riages and troubles with the studio, what she increas-ingly publicized was often a fragile private self.

So why not Monroe in opera? The American view of

With such recent works as "Einstein on the Beach," "Nixon in China" and "The Death of Klinghoffer," include not just everyday characters and situations but nating between lyric personal space and the grand also those larger-than-life stories everyone is so familiar with from news and gossip.

The promise of "Marilyn" the opera is to present a

of a world that cannot accept them.

The formula for "Marilyn" might be "La Traviata" crossed with "Adriana Lecouvreur"; the fragile temptress and the passionate actress undone by conspiracy Fame and Its History."

are also heroines ultimately based on real people. Or if you like the precedent of the woman of emotional authority undone by the tunnel-vision male politician, the "Dido and Aeneas" to "Madama Butterfly" line may be more enticing.

Yet whatever its respectable operatic genealogy, La-derman and Rosten's "Marilyn" promises to be some-thing different. Laderman is the dean of the Yale School of Music and the author of several previous operas as well as many symphonic and chamber works.

In line with City Opera's rightful pride in its record of commissioning operas from American composers, Laderman says "Marilyn" gave him the opportunity to write a work that was particularly close to his own sense of what is essentially American, mixing tonal and atonal music, jazz, folk and pop within the com-

prehensive sound or "patina" of the opera.
"I grew up in New York," he said. "I'm a Brooklyn keep that legend aflame.

boy, and in 'Marilyn' there's a theme, a milieu in which
The world premiere of "Marilyn," with music by
her life unfolded, a world that she inhabited, that was

very close to my own history. I wasn't thinking of her as a prototype of anything. She's perfect for opera — a vuinerable, flawed, enwhy her story has become mythic is a mystery to me. I was interested in her as a subject for opera because of her human qualities."

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The basic idea for the opera came to Laderman one day in Rosten's Brooklyn Heights study, when he noticed a copy of Rosten's

Rosten and his wife had been friends of Monroe during the last seven years of her life, and the book is But beyond the specifics of body, breathy voice, and walk, Monroe always had more. In Nicolas Roeg's her entrapment between the desire for celebrity and 1985 film "Insignificance," she stands with Einstein, DiMaggio and McCarthy as an emblem of the age. In like that with the Rostens, where she could be herself.

figure and poetic mentor.

At first he resisted Laderman's enthusiasm for a Monroe opera. "But when we started working on it," he said, "I realized his hunch was absolutely right. Writing it was a kind of joy, like picking up with an old friend after too many years. She was our collaborator. I could almost feel her sending ectoplasmic warnings when we got off on the wrong track."

The libretto concentrates the action into her last

The libretto concentrates the action into her last day, with dream sequences introducing characters amalgamated from various lovers, friends and bosses. opera as an exclusive high-culture realm is a prejudice
based primarily on language differences. In Italy, of
course, opera is popular culture.

Sometimes resemblances to real people emerge, and
her appearance at JFK's birthday party at Madison
Square Garden makes a crucial scene. But in the midst Square Garden makes a crucial scene. But in the midst of this all-too-public life, many of the details — like her admiration for Rodin's "Hand of God" — come American opera has begun to draw on current history, from Rosten's memoir, the private observations of a updating turn-of-the-century theories of verismo to friend. The librerto provides a fascinating mix, alter-

also those larger-than-life stories everyone is so familiar with from news and gossip.

Monroe's iconography yokes together the mystic priestess and the woman destroyed by passion, both staples of the 19th- and 20th-century operatic heroine. There is a long list of such characters, many of whom commit actual or virtual suicide as their final defiance commit actual or virtual suicide as their final defiance.

would have been 68 this year.

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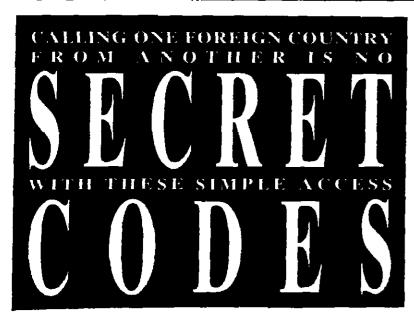
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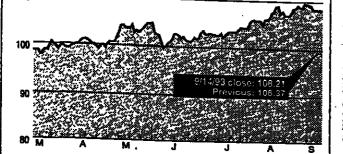
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### As Bookstores Get Bigger, **Are They Getting Better?**

By Sarah Lyall

HICAGO — To understand something of the sea change taking place in bookselling across the United States it helps to visit the flagship store of Kroch's & Brentano's, Chicago's proud old bookstore chain, and take a look down the street.

There sits the new age of bookselling, a six-month-old Crown Books superstore that offers a dizzying number of titles, a no-frills feel and, most important, steep discounts on every book. "If you paid full price, you didn't buy it

at Crown," is the chain's motto. and that was exactly why Margaret Geary, 33, of Chicago was in the store looking for a computer book recently.

Books have gone the way of toothpaste --who can sell more

Ms. Geary knew that Kroch's & Brentano's had closed half of for less. its 20 stores, citing changing

consumer habits and too-strong competition from national chains. "I feel bad for Kroch's because they've been around for so long," she said. "But do I feel bad about shopping here instead? No, because I want to save money."

What is happening, here and around the country, is nothing less than a full-scale war over the future of bookselling — not just over where books are sold, but very possibly over how they are published, distributed and marketed. On one side are the independent bookstores, many founded years

ago by people who always seemed to know more about books than about business, and who made their mark with intimate understanding of their customers' tastes. Opposed are the national chains, which are using classic retailing strategies to flood the market with stores that offer discounts, coffee bars and reading nooks but which, in the minds of independents, seem to care more about profits than books.

It is not just Crown that is threatening Kroch's. Virtually every major national bookstore chain has muscled into the Chicago market, blanketing its downtown and suburbs with names like Barnes & Noble, B. Dalton, Waldenbooks, Borders and even Waterstone's, the British chain. Many of the new stores are superstores, which can offer more than 100,000 titles.

"I think many independents are going to find it difficult to compete with the superstores," said Walter Loeb, a retail consultant in New York. "Many of them don't have the assortment and the

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### Deep Loss Is Seen At SEAT

#### It Plans Job Cuts, Plant Sale to VW

AFP-Exad News

BARCELONA - SEAT SA expects a loss of around 100 billion pesetas (\$783 million) this year, and will undergo a restructuring that in-cludes an injection of funds from its parent, Volkswagen AG, and may involve work force cuts, the Spanish automaker said Tuesday.

The loss forecast for SEAT is larger than one of about \$550 million given by Volkswagen last week, when the German company said it would itself post a loss for 1993 as a result of the problems at

SEAT, whose full name is Sociedad Española de Automóviles de Turismo, had a net loss of 12.76 pesetas in 1992.

The Spanish company, 99 per-cent held by Volkswagen, said that its board had approved the sale of SEAT's Pampiona plant, which makes VW Polo cars, and the financing company FISEAT to Volkswagen. The parent would in return inject 120 billion pesetas into SEAT.

"This is a first step on the road to a definitive restructuring of the Spanish company and is also a confirmation of Volkswagen's confi-dence in SEAT's future," SEAT

The board has asked SEAT's executive committee to draw up a restructuring plan for the company and to "adopt all the necessary measures, including the reduction in work force," SEAT said:

NEW YORK. — American Airlines plans to sum down by cutting 5,000 jobs by the end of next year, retiring jets and eventually selling assets such as maintenance bases, the company's leader said Tuesday.

The airline plans to eliminate 5 percent of its work.

The airline plans to eliminate 5 percent of its work one that broke out this week, a decline in passengers. SEAT, reiterating a statement it made early this month, said its serious financial situation stemmed from the high costs of investment and the 30 percent depreciation of the peseta against the Deutsche mark in the last 12 months. Crandall, chairman and chief executive of AMR Corp.,

The company said the costs of renovating the range of cars built at the plant and the decline in sales in reduce its capacity to fly passengers by 4.5 percent, Mr. Crandall said. the main European markets have also affected SEAT's financial situ-

### GM Returns to Argentina

### Venture Seen as Vote of Confidence

By Nathaniel C. Nash New York Times Service

BUENOS AIRES - Fifteen years ago, General Motors Corp. left Argentina, fed up with coups, military governments and economic policies that produced only inflation and instability.

For Argentina, the closing of GM's two plants was more than just the departure of a giant foreign corporation. It symbolized industrial descent, a country abandoned by most internation-

But things change, and GM has now come back to Argentina. Last month, President Carlos Saul Menem signed an agreement reopening the country's doors to the world's largest automaker. In a joint venture with Cidea, the local assembler and distributor of Renault cars, a \$100 million factory is scheduled to start making GM pickup tracks next year, eventually producing 25,000 a year.

Just as GM's departure in 1978 was an emblem for Argentina's breakdown, the company's return is a sign of revival, a signal that rejuvenating policies — open markets, low inflation, stable currencies and sales of staterum enterprises - are believed to be here to stay.

This is an international vote of confidence of enormous proportions, to have the world's leading industrial company

NEW YORK - American Airlines plans to slim

old reporters and Wall Street analysts. The figure of

5,000 includes management job cuts of around 650 announced earlier, said AMR, American's parent.

Overall next year, American Airlines is scheduled to

The airline plans to retire 11 DC-10s in addition to

force between now and the end of 1994, Robert L. and a glut of capacity.

come to Argentina," Manuel F. Antelo, president of Cidea, said. This without a doubt will lead

to other companies following General Motors to Argentina." Though GM's initial investment in Argentina is tiny com-pared with the billions of dollars the company pours into new

Here you can

come in and capture market share and profits and not have to take it away from

anyone.' Leo Kunigk, president of General Motors of Argentina.

models in the United States, Latin American sales are nevertheless creating income when carmakers are struggling to be profitable in their largest markets.

Latin sales are exploding, in fact. In 1990, fewer than 100,000 cars were sold in Argentina. Then came Mr. Menem's economic changes and a lowering of tariffs. Car sales rose 40 percent in 1991, doubled in 1992 and are up 40 percent so far this year. Auto-company executives esti-

American to Cut 5,000 Jobs

Throughout Latin America. the same kind of statistics are seen as these economies grow more rapidly than those of the developed countries. In Colombia, car sales will double this year. In Venezuela, they have risen 80 percent in the last two

In Brazil, car sales are up 50 percent this year and may reach a record 1.2 million. Some analysts are saying that sales throughout Latin America could surpass the record of 2.4 million cars and trucks set in 1980.

"If you look around the world, where are the tremendous growth opportunities?" Steven T. Darch, general director of Banco Mariva in Buenos Aires, said. "One of the few places is Latin America."

Now there is a rush of manufacturers from South Korea, Japan, Europe and the United States into these countries to get a piece of the market.

On the same day that GM's return to Argentina was signed by Mr. Menem, Mazda Motor Corp. signed contracts with the government to set up a \$35 mil-lion assembly plant for pickup trucks. Industry executives in Argentina say unofficially that Chrysler Corp. and Honda Mo-

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the 31 already planned for grounding, he said. He

added that American also plans to reduce some of its

To deal with the situation, Mr. Crandall has worked

to shrink the company, steering away from money-

losing routes and concentrating on profitable opera-

The stock market reacted coolly to the new cost-cutting measures, and AMR's stock fell 75 cents a share,

to \$64, in late New York Stock Exchange trading.

tions, such as advising other airlines

### German GDP Contracted 2% In First Half

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BONN — The German economy contracted 2 percent in the first half of 1993, but the trade balance showed an unexpectedly bige sur-plus, the government said Tuesday. Meanwhile, the Federation of German Industry issued a gloomy report on the country's economic prospects. While it said the down-turn was coming to an end, the fed-eration warned against a "prema-ure interpretation" of recent data as

signs of a recovery. "Negative indi-cators outweigh tentative positive signs by far," the group cautioned. The economy remains bogged down by weak demand, the sluggish U.S. recovery, the apprecia tion of the mark and curbs in pub-

lic spending, the report said. The government said united Germany's gross domestic product shrank 2 percent in the first six months from the year-earlier period.

In the formerly communist Eastern Germany, the economy grew 6.2 percent in the first half of the year, slower than the 10.1 percent growth rate seen in the second half of 1992. Figures released last week showed west German GDP dropped 2.6 percent in the first half.

Economics Minister Gunter Rexrodt hailed the east German growth figure as evidence that recovery was well under way in the depressed region and said the government's forecast of 5 percent growth there this year might be exceeded.

Analysts, however, remained skeptical. "The figures tell you that west Germany is in a deep recession and that east Germany is in the middle of a structural crisis," said Jörg Beyfuss, economic spe-cialist at the Cologne-based Insti-tut für Wirtschaftsforschung.

Economists said the figures confirmed Western Germany's recession was delaying recovery in the East. "It will take a long time before east Germany can achieve self-propelling growth," said Stefan Schneider of Nomura Research Deutschland GmbH in Frankfurt. On trade, the Statistics Office said

the June surplus rose to 6.3 billion Deutsche marks (\$3.93 billion) in June from 5.2 billion DM in May. The surplus in the first six months of the year was 22.6 billion DM, up from 13.3 billion DM a year earlier. Economists said the data were better than expected but they pre-

dicted the surplus would deteriorate in the second half as the strong mark makes exports expensive. Andrea Gubitz, an economist at Commerzbank in Frankfurt, said the longer-term threat to German exporters came not so much from the strength of the mark as from the

high domestic cost pressures that have built up since unification. She said Germany faced increasingly competitive rivals on the export front and warned against the assumption that exports would automatically improve if the mark the weakens. (Reuters, AP, Bloomberg)

### Crédit Lyonnais To Sell a Third Of Its UAF Unit

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS — Crédit Lyonnais said Tuesday it would sell onethird of its insurance unit, Union des Assurances Federales through a public offering.

Proceeds from the sale, which the company estimated at 1.5 billion francs (\$268 million), would allow state-con-trolled Credit Lyonnais to in-crease its capital. It badly needs shoring up, given the bank faces an estimated net loss in 1993 of 1 billion to 2 billion French francs, analysts said. The bank is on the list of 21

state-owned companies the government of Prime Minster Edouard Balladur wants to privarize over the next three years. (Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder)

### Compaq, Allies to Sell 'Mobile Companion'

### **Unit Would Compete With Newton**

HOUSTON — Compaq Computer Corp. announced Tuesday that it would develop with Intel Corp. and Microsoft Corp. a \$500 mobile companion," a portable personal com-puter that would compete with Apple Computer Inc.'s Newton. The new hand-held product.

to go on sale next year, would lag behind the first generation of personal communicators shipped by rivals, including Ap-ple Computer Inc., which said Tuesday that it has sold about 10,000 Newton MessagePads since they went on sale at the beginning of August.

"Alliances, powerful alli-ances" are key to success in developing products that "merge the personal computer with communications and entertainment functions," said Eckhard Pfeiffer, Compaq's president, at the opening of Compaq's Innovate 302 conference here. Intelligence of the companion of the c vate '93 conference here. Intel and Microsoft are market leaders in semiconductors and software, respectively.

"We can't afford to develop this new class of products on our own," Mr. Pfeiffer. He said Intel and VLSI Tech-

nology Inc. have jointly devel-

oped a set of chips that combine PC functions with the memory, video and audio requirements of a mobile companion. The mobile companion alliance strengthens ties among Compaq, Microsoft and Intel, and pulls in VLSI Technology Inc., of which Intel owns a 16 percent.

The planned product, to be designed and sold by Compaq, will be a highly portable extension of user's primary desktop or notebook PCs, Compaq said. Originally, it will weigh two pounds (900 grams), but Compaq expects to shrink it to one pound. Apple's Newton MessagePad weighs 0.9 pound.

Compaq said the instruments could be used for instant information access. They are targeted, at least initially, for business

The Newton MessagePad. Apple's product, is a hand-held computer that fits into a jacket pocket, costs about \$700 and acts a kind of electronic diary.

"The product is off to a very good start," John Sculley, the Apple chairman, said at Forrester Research's technology forum. "We have a huge backlog right now." (Bloomberg, AP)

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mberg Business News NEW YORK - U.S. stocks declined Tuesday as an unexpected jump in August consumer prices sent long-term interest rates soaring, while a weak retail sales report raised concerns about the econom-

The Dow Jones industrial average closed down 18.45, at 3615.76. J.P. Morgan & Co., part of the

#### N.Y. Stocks

interest-rate-sensitive banking sector, led the decline. Decliners outpaced gainers by a 2-to-1 ratio on the New York Stock

Exchange, where 259 million shares changed hands in active trading. Treasury bond yields surged after the Labor Department said the consumer price index rose 0.3 percent in August. The inflation report stunned traders since it followed Friday's report that producer prices declined 0.6 percent last month.

The yield on the benchmark 30year bond leaped to 5.98 percent from 5.87 percent late Monday. "Everybody was expecting inflation to be dead, but the CPI was up more than expected," said Dale Tills, manager of institutional equities trading at Charles Schwab & Co. in San Francisco. Rising interest rates diminish the allure of stocks relative to fixed-income in-

Also Tuesday, the Commerce Department said retail sales rose lysts called sluggish.

"The economy has no momentum, and that's reflected in retail sales," said Grace Messner, a portfolio manager who oversees about \$170 million in assets for Wilmington Trust Co. "There's growing concern that profit expectations might be a little excessive."

The surge in bond yields took a toll on shares of banking companies, whose earnings benefit from falling interest rates.

J.P. Morgan shares tumbled 21/2 to 75% after an analyst at PaineWebber Inc, reduced his investment rating of Morgan and Bankers Trust New York Corp. to "unattractive." Bankers Trust fell

Computer, software, and semi conductor stocks were roiled after Compaq Computer on Monday projected little growth in the industry's North American sales in the second half. Compaq, which said Tuesday it was working on a new portable product, recovered 34 to 564, after tumbling 44 in third-market trading Monday.

Intel sagged 1½ to 634, Microsoft lost 1½ to 754, Apple fell 1 to 244 and 124 and 12

and IBM eased 1/4 to 431/4 Airline stocks fell after Northwest Airlines touched off a round of fare cuts and American Airlines an-nounced big layoffs. Delta slid 1% to 52%; UAL, parent of United, dropped 44 to 1424; and AMR, American's parent, fell % to 64%.

### **Dollar Shrugs Off News** Of Consumer Price Rise

NEW YORK - The dollar finished little changed against the Deutsche mark and slipped against

the yen on Tuesday as traders and early August. shrugged off a larger-than-expected The dollar slid increase in U.S. consumer prices. Rising prices usually bolster the

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dollar because investors assume the Federal Reserve Board will raise interest rates to control inflation. That did not happen on Tues-

day. The 0.3 percent jump in August consumer prices failed to spur dollar purchases, in part because recent economic data has been so poor, traders and analysts said. The dollar finished at 1.6098 DM, up just a little from Monday's close of 1.6077 DM. It fell to 105.85 yen from 106.25 yen.

"Even with today's increase, inflation is still stuck at a mild 2.8 percent," said Win Thin, economist at MCM CurrencyWatch. "Slow growth is still the problem for the U.S. economy, not inflation."

Concern that European central banks were selling dollars for marks also weighed on the dollar. European Community central banks have

been buying marks for weeks to replenish reserves they spent defend-ing their currencies during the Community's currency crisis in late July

The dollar slid against the yen after Japanese institutional inves-tors dumped Australian-dollar-denominated investments in favor of

The dollar rose to 5.6065 French francs from 5.6013 Monday. It fell to 1.4016 Swiss francs from 1.4025. The pound fell to \$1.5455 from \$1.5465.



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Reebok Hires a New Ad Agency STOUGHTON, Massachusetts (UPI) - Reebok International Ltd. said Thesday it has awarded its \$140 million yearly advertising account to Leo Burnett, dropping Chiat/Day and Euro RSGC and citing its need to expand in foreign markets.

Reebok, the No. 2 American maker of athletic footwear after Nike Inc... said the move was part of a consolidation of its global advertising and

marketing programs.

"This was a difficult decision in light of the quality creative work and established working relationship between Reebok, our lead creative agency, Chiat/Day, and our pan-European agency, Euro RSCG," said agency, vice president of marketing services for Reebok.

He said, "Reebok's continued expansion throughout the global mar-

ketplace and significant increase in market share in key international markets were significant factors in our choice of Leo Burnett."

### Trade Deficit Is Near a 5-Year High

WASHINGTON (AP) - The U.S. trade deficit, by its broadest measure, widened 21 percent in the second quarter from the first period to nearly a five-year high, the government said Tuesday.

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The current-account deficit came to \$26.93 billion, compared with \$22.31 billion in the first quarter. It was the largest quarterly deficit since the fourth quarter of 1988, when the gap was \$32.96 billion. The current account measures trade in merchandise and services as well as investment

Separately, the government said retail sales rose a modest 0.2 percent last month, while consumer prices rose 0.3 percent, higher than many flows between countries. economists had expected.

### Car Sales Dip as GM Results Weaken

DETROIT (Bloomberg) — U.S. car sales in early September slowed to an annual rate of 6.4 million, as the industry leader General Motors Corp. posted weak results because of shortages and as sales of Japanese-based cars were boosted by buyers seeking to beat price increases for 1994.

Most Japanese-based automakers building vehicles in the United States posted stronger-than-expected car sales for early September, as did second ranked Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp.

But the industry's annual pace for the latest period was dragged down by GM, whose vehicle sales fell 15 percent from the year-earlier period.

### Amoco to Develop Siberian Oilfield

CHICAGO (Bloomberg) — Amoco Corp. said it had received an offer from Russia to develop an oilfield in western Siberia that the company said may contain more than 5 billion barrels of recoverable crude oil. Details of the financing or timing of the development were not disclosed, pending negotiation of a production contract for the Priobskoye field. Amoco said the field would probably cost billions of dollars to develop. The area currently produces about 10,000 barrels a day of oil from fewer than 200 wells 1,000 miles east of Moscow.

Amoco's Russian subsidiary, Amoco Eurasia Petroleum Co., is to develop the field in the Khanty-Mansiysk Autonomous Region of Siberia with two Russian companies, Yuganskneftegaz and Yugraneft.

#### For the Record

The Chicago Mercantile Exchange and the New York Mercantile Exchange agreed to develop a system to process the \$60 trillion in futures contracts that trade on the two exchanges each year. Cincinnati Bell Inc. said it had agreed in principle to acquire First Data Corp.'s telemarketing unit, Wats Marketing. Terms were not disclosed.

Spelling Entertainment Group Inc., which is controlled by Blockbuster. Entertainment Corp., has agreed to acquire Republic Pictures Corp. —of which Blockbuster already controls 35 percent — for \$13 a share, or \$100

News America Corp.'s purchase of the New York Post was approved by a federal bankruptcy court judge. Rupert Murdoch's News America has been operating the paper since March 29. (Reuers)

### GATT: Trade in Soap Operas Fuels Trade Soap Opera

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dency. "The room for maneuvering is very narrow."
Sir Leon Brittan, the European Community's vice president for ex-ternal economic affairs, met twice Monday with Mickey Kantor, the U.S. trade representative, in search of concessions to offer the French without actually renegotiating the

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House - we made that quite clear him President Bill Clinton would to Sir Leon," Mr. Kantor said. Mr. Toubon told the daily Le Figaro that Washington was fight-ing to have trade in cultural goods

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**Accord With Spain Boosts EC Remake Of Steel Industry** 

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher BRUSSELS — The EC Commission said Tuesday it had negotiated an agreement with Spain over subsidies that should help its effort to restructure the steel industry throughout the Community.

The commission expects to re-

commitments to limit the amount

crude steel and 19 million tons of rolled products.

dropped 10 percent since the begin-ning of the year, he said.

come up with a restructuring plan, but the date has been pushed back because of difficulties in resolving steel-subsidy cases in Spain, Italy and Eastern Germany. The Spanish case involved the

government's plan to invest in a restructuring that would group two

billion European Currency Units (\$4.31 billion) to 2.8 billion Ecus

A spokesman said the accord. which the commission was about to approve in outline, involved reduced state aid and the privatization of a planned steel mill.

solve a similar dispute with Italy over the state-owned steelmaker Ilva SpA by mid-October, the Its overall plan includes gaining

of state aid the governments of Ita-ly, Spain and Germany will give their steel companies.

The spokesman said private steel-makers now must do their share by agreeing to the cuts in capacity de-manded by the Community as part of its plan to revive the industry. The commission wants the in-dustry to cut its capacity by about 20 percent, or 30 million tons of could steel and 19 million tons of

The spokesman said the cuts were necessary because steel sales and prices have continued to plummet. Sales have fallen by more than 5 percent this year and prices have

The commission originally gave companies a deadline of Sept. 30 to

Corporación Siderurgia Integral. The spokesman for the commission said Spain had agreed to reduce its aid to the venture from 3.6

and to privatize a planned mill at Sestao in the Basque region. In another case, the East German privatization agency Treuhandanstalt is expected to make decisions about privatizing Eko Stahl

AG this month, he said. Belgium, which currently holds the EC presidency, plans to seek a special meeting of industry minis-ters in late October to resolve subsidy cases. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

#### BT, Santander In Data Venture

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MADRID — British Tele-com PLC and the Spanish banking company Grupo San-tander SA are creating a venture to provide data communications to Spanish businesses.

the partners said Tuesday.
The director-general of the new company, Teofilo del Pozo, said the company expected an-nual revenue of 100 fallion pese-tas (\$780 million) by 2003, based on its market share forecast and growth projections.

He said the company will use as its foundation Santander's Megared SA data communications unit, whose capital of 1 billion pesetas is to be in-creased to 3.1 billion as soon as the company has received required approvals. (AFX, AFP)

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### Very briefly:

 Bank for International Settlements named John Crow, governor of the Bank of Canada, as its chairman. Lamberto Dini, director general of the Bank of Italy, was named vice chairman.

• British business failures fell 25 percent between April and June, to 1,433 from 1,911 a year earlier, the British trade credit insurer Trade Indemnity PLC said. British manufactured production, meanwhile, rose by 0.7 percent in July from the figure in June, more than expected.

 Strabag AG will raise 85.5 million Dentsche marks (\$53 million) in fresh capital by selling new shares. The company will give existing shareholders the right to buy one new share for 350 DM for every nine they already hold. • Delta PLC, the electrical equipment company, said pretax profit fell 6 percent in the first half of 1993, to £29.11 million (\$44 million) from £30.97 million a year earlier, because of depressed markets in continental Europe and an only limited economic recovery in Britain and Australia.

 The EC Commission said it had no antitrust problems with British Telecom's plans to take a 20 percent stake in MCI Communications Corp. Lafarge-Coppée SA will raise capital by "around 2.5 billion francs" (\$445 million), executives said; the cash would be used to develop the cement company's activities in high-growth countries and new products.

### GM: Argentina Hails Automaker's Plan to Return as Vote of Confidence

Continued from Page 11

tor Co. are studying setting up opcrations as well. Volkswagen AG has established a joint venture with Ford Motor Co. called Autolatina. And in Peru, the South Korean company Dagwoo Corp. has decided to invest \$35 million to assemble cars

"If you are an automaker operating in the United States, every bit of new market share you win is at the expense of another company, which means costly competition, Leo Kunigk, president of General Motors of Argentina, said. "Here you can come in and cap-

ture market share and profits and not have to take it away from any-one. The region is one of the top 10 markets in the world, and GM cannot afford not to be in all of those

plants was estimated at as much as late to get in without a big fight."

\$200 million, mainly for severance

pay for production workers

Mr. Kunigk said the relatively

million. The factory will produce Chevrolet pickup trucks selling for about \$22,000 each.

ear will be reached by 1996. Mr. Kunigk said, adding that GM particularly for the free-trade zone chose to form a joint venture be-called Mercosur that is being negocause that enabled it to start pro- tiated by Brazil, Argentina, Uru-

Another drawing point is that it takes too much effort and time to union militancy has significantly produce locally here," Mr. Kunigk diminished in Argentina. When said. "Things are moving so fast in will be created, the plan of the four General Motors left in 1978, the this market that we felt that if we cost of shutting down the two didn't get in now, it would be too

pay for production workers.

Beginning next year, General Motors plans to begin production in a converted warehouse that now stores spare parts for Cidea. Of the \$100 million investment, GM will put up \$80 million and Cidea \$20 million. The factory will product.

Mr. Kunigk said the relatively small and an effectively free flow of goods.

Economists point out that Mercustres will such a market of automation, he said, will be partly offset by the high education level of the Argentinian work force, compared with other latin Arms. can countries.

While GM's entry is significant Full production of 25,000 trucks to Argentina, there are even wider

governments is akin to that of the North American Free Trade Agreement, with minimal trade barriers

the main reason for GM's plan to move all its pickup-truck operations from Brazil and base them on the central Argentinian city of Cordoba, about 450 miles (730 kilome ters) northwest of Buenos Aires. From Argentina it plans to ship trucks on a duty-free basis to Braducing cars quickly.

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### BOOKS: As Stores Get Bigger, They Push Independents Out of Business

merle, the chairman and chief executive of Crown Books, says, "We're a free-market economy; that's the nature of the beast." Strategies vary from chain to chain, with Barnes & Noble prom-

chain, with Barnes & Noble promising that each of its stores will reflect its community and Crown whose purchase of books has held reflect its community and Crown seeking a McDonald's-like uniformity from store to store. But all the years, support a marketplace that major chains have moved decisive. ly, taking the example of retailers Leonard Riggio, chairman and

in industries like home furnishings chief executive of Barnes & Noble ther is the founder of Stuart Brent

have 70 superstores by the end of January, and Borders, owned by the Kmart Corp., plans to open 45 superstores by the end of the year and 25 more next year.

relatively steady over the last five

But many independent booksellers say oratory about healthy competition and market forces ignores the values at the core of booksell-

buying power to compete, and they're going to go out of business.

Barnes & Noble, which recently announced plans for a stock offer
Chicago is an extreme example.

Bookstores Inc., cites an industry study showing that book sales into photographs of Mr. Brent, creased 5 percent between 1991 now 81, with literary figures and 1992. I can say with confibut the bookstore wars are being fought across the United States.

The independents may his first across the United States. The independents may but Glenn E. Henmerle the chairman and his first as stock offering, has already opened 170 superdence that the market is expanding dence that the market is expanding dence that the market is expanding dence that the market is expanding the certain point of the three dence that the market is expanding to the certain point of the three dence that the market is expanding to the certain point of the three dence that the market is expanding to the certain point of the three dence that the market is expanding to the certain point of the three dence that the market is expanding dence that the market is expanding dence that the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the certain point of the market is expanding to the certain point of the certain point for book sales in the next few one telling you, This is a really good book, or This is terrible, then you're only buying inventory."

Mr. Brent and other independent booksellers say that if the dent booksellers say that if the chains succeed in killing off many of the independents, publishers will change what kind of books they publish, focusing more on lower-common-denominator best sellers and distributed and the change what will be the common-denominator best sellers. toothpaste — who can sell more for and ignoring worthwhile books less," said Adam Brent, whose fa-

#### **AGENTINE REPUBLIC** PROVINCE OF SANTA FE NOTICE OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC BID No. 2 MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Financial improvements and Economic Development Program of the Argentine Provinces

PROVINCIAL EXECUTION DEPARTMENT **WORK EXECUTION** 

Repaying of provincial road No. 65 (Las Rosas-San Genaro stretch) Opening of Tenders: November 1, 1993 at 11 a.m. in the Salon Blanco of the Government House,

2651 3 de Febrero St. 1st floor, Province of Santa Fé. 1. This province has received a loan from the Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo through a Subrogation Covenant with the national government-Loan Covenant BID No. 619/OC-AR, to contribute to pay for the Provincial Financial Improvements Program. The province will devote part of these funds to making payments in accordance with that agreed upon in the contract referred to in the present Notice.

2. Works will consist of the repairing and improvement of the structural design of the basis of 29,259 km and also the repair of surface patholes with an average thickness of 0,12 m which will be corried out with hot asphaltic concrete, the repair of depth potholes with stabilized granular cement and the execution of a layer of hot asphaltic concrete of 0,07 m thick and 6,70 m wide.

3. The Province invites those companies of the countries members of the Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo (BID) interested in participating in this bid, to submit their tenders in two envelopes (1. Documents for the

4. Bidding Proposals may be inspected and purchased, and additional information obtained at the Offices of the UEP-DVP. 2957 Salta St., Municipal House, 9th floor (3000) Province of Santa Fé. Fax-tel: 54 42 37660, Argentine Republic.

5. The official budget is \$ 3,960,750 6. The cost of the Bidding Proposals is \$3,200

Tenders will be at the reception of the MOSPYV, Government House.
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### Japan Insurers' Money Stays Home Rigid Rules Keep Them Out of U.S. Bond Market

TOKYO - Japan's-rammoth life insurance companies, once mior investors in U.S. Treasury securities, haw largely missed out on one of the most dranatic bond-market rallies in U.S. history. .

At a time when U.S. bod yields are hitting record lows, Japan's insures have been only minor players in recent reasury auctions, because of what critics 53 are outdated industry rules that slow irrestments abroad.

Additionally, Japan's isurers and other institutional investors, roked by steep declines in the value of the stock portfolios since 1989, are not in the mood to buy. "At this moment, under crrent regulations,

Japanese life insurance companies have very

little reason to invest in U.S.Freasury bonds, said Taeko Murohara, a bord market analyst at Nikko Research Center n Tokyo. More than a missed invesment opportunity is at issue here. The slowown in Japanese investment abroad is shaping up as a major cause of the yen's appreciation. The Japanese currency is up 18 percent against the dollar

over the past year. In the 1980s, a big chunk a Japan's trade surplus was recycled by Japaese institutional investors such as life insures, who regularly snapped up 30 percent to 40 percent of U.S. Treasury bonds auctioed.

This time around, though, hey are on the sidelines. So the billions o dollars being brought back to Japan by the ation's exporters are not being recirculatedinto the global

That sets the stage for aneven stronger Japanese currency: As expoters repatriate dollar earnings into yen, life isurers are no longer in the currency market-triking a bal-

Putting a damper on insurers' dollar pur-chases is a Finance Ministry rule that says they can pay policyholders only out of "inter-est income" such as stock dividends and interest payments from bond holdings.

That is a problem, because the yield on the U.S. Treasury bond has fallen to a postwar low of 5.84 percent last week and was only slightly above that level in recent trading. Falling yields mean rising bond prices and a healthy capital gain for investors holding the bonds. But in an example of the myriad of rules and regulations that saddle the Japanese

More than a missed investment opportunity is at issue. The slowdown in Japanese investment abroad is a major cause of the yen's appreciation.

economy, the Finance Ministry says insurers cannot use capital-gains earnings to meet dividend payments to policyholders.

In the heady days of the late 1980s, that rule did not matter much, High U.S. bond yields alone were enough to attract Japanese investors to the Treasury market.

They came in droves. At U.S. Treasury bond auctions, Japanese regularly bought the lion's share. Indeed, some wondered whether the U.S. had become too reliant on the Japanese to finance its swelling budget deficit. Today, the Japanese share of the market for new Treasury bonds has fallen to around 5 percent, prompting the Japanese financial industry to call on regulators at home to change the rules. But in Japan, rules change slowly.

The coalition government of Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa is preparing a package of measures to deregulate the economy and boost imports as a present to present to the United States this month.

Economists warn, however, that the package of measures will fall short of steps that would allow Japanese investors to recycle Japan's mammoth trade surplus through purchases of foreign bonds.

As the surplus mushroomed in recent months, currency market speculators have driven the yen to postwar highs against the dollar, creating a second problem for Japa-nese investors in U.S. securities.

As the dollar falls against the yen, so does the value of dollar-based investments for insurers. In the 1980s, the yield on U.S. Treasuries was high enough that Japan's investors felt the investment was worth the currency risk. Now, the yen's dramatic appreciation against the dollar means insurers can no

though U.S. Treasury bond yields are still higher than Japanese bond yields. "Despite the rally in U.S. Treasuries, life insurance companies fear they will lose out on currencies," said Masahiro Kawagoe, a pension fund manager at Meisei Capital Mai

onger afford to ignore the currency risk, even

ment, a subsidiary of Meiji Life Însurance Co. "Already, their existing dollar-denominated assets have been battered by the yen's recent rise," he said, "With U.S. Treasury yields already so low. Japanese life insurance companies can't invest in U.S. bonds unless they are reasonably sure the dollar will rise

### **Kegulators Seek Evidence for** Shiseido Inquiry

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO - The Fair Trade Commission conducted searches Tuesday at three sales companies affiliated with Japan's largest cosmetics maker, in a move that could help open up the country's distri-bution system by discouraging price controls.

The three distributors for Shiseido Co. are suspected of violating Japan's law against monopolies by refusing to ship Shiseido products to a chain of discount stores.

Foreign companies long have complained about the difficulty of competing in Japan on the basis of price because of its rigid and complex distribution system.

The trade commission's chairman, Masami Kogayu, said its investigation was a sign of a "very large change occurring" in the distribution system, particularly for consumer products.

"I think this change is leading to a freet system." he said, "But the change is coming very suddenly, necessitating adjustments under

the Anti-Monopoly Law."

Japan's trading partners have criticized that law as ineffective and seldom enforced. But Mr. Kogayu said Japan was entering an era of increased competition after years of concentrating on economic

He said the Anti-Monopoly Law was "starting to take root and be or Kao.

Japan was now "focusing more on consumers so they can enjoy the fruits of economic development."

Cosmetics and certain other products have long been sold throughout Japan at prices set by nation of exemptions from the Anti-Monopoly Law and control exerted by distributors. But the trade commission decided a few months ago to allow retailers the freedom to price some cosmetic

The discount chain, Kawachiya Ltd., started in June to sell cosmetics at 25 percent to 30 percent below the prevailing national prices at eight shops in the Tokyo area.

The following month, the company complained to the trade com-mission that Shiseido's distributors had stopped supplying it with cos-metics in retaliation for its pricecutting Shiseido said Kawa was selling goods at wholesale prices and was not offering coun-seling to customers, as Shiseido

urges its distributors to do. Kawachiya also complained that two other cosmetic makers, Kan-

whether it is investigating Kanebo or Kao. (AP, Bloomberg)

ebo Ltd. and Kao Corp., had canceled or curbed shipments as well. The trade commission has not said

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• Garuda Indonesia, the national airline, will reschedule orders for nine new Boeing 747-400s and 16 Boeing 737-300s, and buy instead 32 used Boeing 737-200 jetliners from Lafthausa, a government minister said. Robert Knok, new controlling shareholder of the South China Morning Post's holding company, will be chairman of the company and Roberto Ongpin, a former Philippine finance minister, will be deputy chairman.

Airbus Industrie is threatening to sue Philippine Airlines Ltd. if it refuses delivery next year of six Airbus A340-200s, a PAL director said.

 Taigene Electric Machinery Corp. of Taipei has bought technology for the production of car air conditioners from General Motors Corp. AP, AFX, Reuters, Bloom

### **Australian Dollar Ripe for Recovery**

Australian dollar is ripe for a re- lion invested in Australian equities.

-bound, according to some money managers and economists, who say modity prices pulled Australia's exspeculators have driven the currency too low too quickly. against the U.S. dollar since Aug. 2, falling to almost a seven-year low of 64.30 U.S. cents in Tuesday trad-

ing and a record low of 47.1 on itstrade-weighted index, which measures the Australian currency against a basket of currencies of the

country's major trading partners.
"We're in the late stages of a sell-off," said Michael Perelstein, managing director for international inv-estments at MacKay-Shields Fi-urrency's near-term upside is lim-

NEW YORK — The battered billion in pensions and has \$300 mil-

The selling came as weak comport-oriented economy into its vorst slump since the Depression. It has tumbled 7.4 percent Its slow growth kept interest rates low, making Australian deposits less attractive.

> But Salomon Brothers Inc., in a report released last week, estimated that the Australian dollar was undervalued by about 29 percent in

terms of purchasing-power parity. Salomon, however, remained

shreholder, Li Ka-shing, would pre-fe to focus on Asia, and could sell ot completely if a bid is at hand."

speculation varied on the timing

We continue to expect a sale to tale place," said Elizabeth Ham-

breht of Goldman Sachs Securi-

tie "However, it is possible that a

pototial buyer may prefer to wait

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tion to gauge its valuation.

possible sale.

ited" and that "additional weakness cannot be ruled out."

been dragged down by coacern about the government's inability to get its deficit-reducing budget passed by Parliament. The dollar tumbled last week after opposition senators rejected a compromise of-

None of that, however, troubles ing at 66 U.S. cents.

searish on the outlook for com-

More recently, the currency has

about 53 percent of its exports. fered by the Labor government.

Mr. Perelstein. He went so far as to stop hedging his investments in Australia when the dollar was trad-

It's usually a good idea to think about buying something when it's been falling for three years," he said. Mr. Perelstein insisted the world economy was on the mend, and

with it commodity prices. That would be good news for Australia, which depends on raw materials for

Others share his optimism, with a caveat or two. Richard Gilhooly, economist at Kidder, Peabody & Co. in London, said the Australian dollar should be trading between 68 and 70 U.S. cents.

Before it can get there, however, "commodity prices have to rise, and the budget has to get through,"Mr. Gilhooly said.

Australia's foreign-currency debt is expected to rise to 133 percent of its exports this year from own 70 percent of the new com-129 percent in 1992, according to Moody's Investors Service Inc.

### 2 Jardine Food Concerns Will Merge Operations

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HONG KONG - Two subsidiaries of Jardine Matheson Holdings Ltd. said they would merge their wholesale food and general supplies subsidiaries to form one of the largest trading companies of its kind supplying

Hong Kong and China. Dairy Farm Co. plans to merge its Sims Trading Co. unit with Jardine Pacific Ltd.'s Jardine Consumer Products, effective Oct. I. Dairy Farm will pany, with Jardine Pacific holding the rest.

No money will change hands in the merger, Dairy Farm's chief executive for Asia, Chris Nelson, said.

The merged business will have more than 270 employees with offices in Hong Kong and four Chinese cities — Beijing. Shanghai, Guangzhou and Shenzhen — a Jardine Pacific

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### 2 Possible Buyers Seen For Hutchison Telecom

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HONG KONG - Hutchison Whampoa Ltd. is likely to sell part or all of its 65 percent stake in its -ambitious British telecommunica-, ions venture, according to anaists, who see the recent departure of its managing director, Simon Murray, as hastening the move.

"Murray started Hutchison's overseas diversifications," one analyst with Mansion House Securities said. "It was a wrong move. He's now gone, and the focus is on China."

Hutchison has invested heavily in Hutchison Telecommunications (U.K.) Ltd. to develop its Personal Communications Network.

Analysts say the venture is still losing heavily, while devouring sizable amounts of fresh cash in capital investments.

Before his departure Mr. Murray conceded that the U.K. operation faces significant losses, though he decribed an analyst's forecast that the U.K. unit's annual loss will reach 1.15 billion Hong Kong dollars as "a little pessimistic. That amount is equivalent to \$149 million.

Deutsche Bundespost Telecom and Telestra OTC, an Australian telecommunications operator, are the most frequently mentioned pective buvers of all or part of prospective buvers or an or part of the Hutchison stake, analysts said. British Aerospace PLC, the other

main shareholder in the venture, is also believed to have put its stake on the market, they said.

Analysts said Bundespost Tele-com is the more likely buyer of Hutchison's interests, though the deal may not be done quickly, given the difficulty of valuing the venture.

"Hutchison is likely to take more than one partner," another analyst said, "and would be likely to retain as much as a 40 percent stake in the project, although the controlling

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This Invitation to Tender follows the General Procurement Notice embracing this project which was published in Procurement Opportunities, No. 1, dated April, 192.

Tie HUNGARIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS CO. LTD. (hereinafter referred to at HTC) has received a loan from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Dvelopment embracing a project for the development of the Budapest Trunk and Junction Transmission Network.

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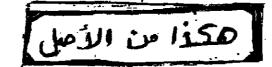
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### TOKYO: Shrinkage in GNP Casts Doubt

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Japan's economic bubble three years ago. The annualized 2.0 percent contraction in GNP for the April-June quarter reinforced the perception that Japan's economy had moved into a lower gear. The Economic Planning Agency blamed sluggishness in consumer spending and capital investment and a slowdown in exports due to the high yen.

The economy is dragging at rock bottom."
the agency's deputy minister. Tsutomu Tanaka,
said. But he said the government held to its scenario that the economy would recover over the next six months.

Private-sector economists disagreed, saying gross national product in the July-September quarter was likely to contract further, postponing hopes of recovery until mid-1994. "It's a continuous, prolonged recession, made worse by the recent strengthening of the ven." Ms. Sasaki-Smith said. She predicted that Japan's

GNP would register no growth in the fiscal year through next March. The political risks of the slowdown were reinforced as the Finance Ministry reported that Japan's trade surplus rose 7.5 percent in August, compared with August 1992. to \$7.54 billion.

#### Consumers Boost Citi

Reuters

NEW YORK - Citicorp is likely to report record global consumer banking profits in 1993, earning "substantially more than it did in 1992, the consumer banking chief, Pei-yuan Chia, said Tuesday, "1993 looks like it's going to be a record year again," Mr. Chia said. The global consumer bank earned \$941 million in 1992 heroid Citizana, and the consumer bank earned \$941 million in 1992. 1992. He said Citicorp's mortgage problems

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### SPORTS 5

### **Browns Permit Defeat of 49ers**

By Thomas George New York Times Service

CLEVELAND - The Cleveland Browns found a rare formula for beating the San Francisco watch the 49ers self-destruct trying to play catch-up.

That's what happened here before 78.218 spectators in Cleveland Stadium as the Browns toppled the 49ers. 23-13. Monday night in a game filled with San Francisco mis-

"It's premature to say this establishes us as one of the premier teams, but I'm a lot more optimistic about this team than I've been in the past," said linebacker Clay

Steve Young threw three inter-ceptions and fumbled once. In the second half, the 49ers had one field goal blocked and then botched another when holder Klaus Wilmsmeyer couldn't handle the snap.

The Browns moved the ball efficiently on offense and did not commit a turnover. The 49ers finished with 396 yards (about 362 meters) of offense - and few points to

Cleveland leads the National Football League in turnover differ four games. ential with a plus-8 and thus far is the only team that has not committed a turnover this season.

After leading the 49ers by 20-13 at halftime, the Browns won the battle in the third quarter, outscor-ing the 49ers by 3-0. Both teams

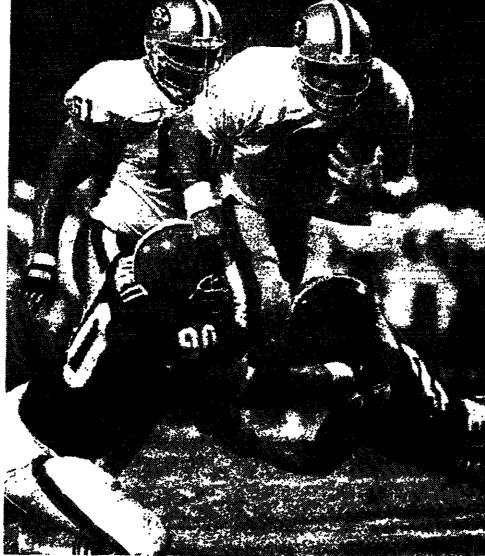
period to set up field goal attempts. San Francisco's 37-yard kick by Mike Cofer was blocked by defensive end Rob Burnett, 6 feet, 4 49ers: Grab an early lead, then inches; Matt Stover was good on watch the 49ers self-destruct trying his kick form 33 yards with 58 seconds left in the quarter. That gave Cleveland a 23-13 lead entering the

> Cleveland was effective at keep-away in the third quarter. It held the ball for 11 minutes, 5 seconds, the 49ers for only 3:55.

The Browns' defense, in the first half, gave new meaning to the bend-but-don't-break philosophy. The 49ers raced up and down the field but only once reached the end zone. Cleveland, however, produced its most first-half points since getting 31 in an early December game two years ago in India-

 The Washington Redskins re-ceived relatively good news on quarterback Mark Rypien when they learned that the injury to his right knee is a moderate tear of the medial collateral ligament that won't require surgery and likely will sideline him for no more than

After a game Sunday in Philadel-phia, the Redskins have the first of two open dates in a five-week stretch, and Rypien said his goal is to return for an Oct. 4 Monday night game in Miami three weeks



(WP) The 49ers' Steve Young made a nice sandwich filling for Rod Burnett (90) and Stevon Moore.

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# Let the Glad Song Begin Laternational Herald Tribune B UDAPEST — When Manchester United takes the field in Bozsik Stadium on Wednesday night, will be for the first time in a quarter of a recovery agland's representation.

England's representative in the European Champion's

And the famous Manchester Reds will take the field against a club that, throughout history, has been their equal and more.

Between Kispest Honved and Manchester United, we look in hope for something more important than victory or defeat. We search for the soul of soccer, for that old feeling that two once-evocative powers of the game can start to erase the stigma of the Marseille

While Olympique Marseille continues to claim that it has been victimized — and unless

and until there is proof established before a judicial

hearing it can - complete faith in the game is scarcely

Heaven knows, Hungary had many match-fixing scandals of its own a couple of seasons ago. So to look here for purity would be to adopt the philosophy of the ostrich. Yet, to anyone of middle or advanced age, Budapest has a place in history, and in the heart. It was here, built around five players from the Honved club, that arguably the finest team Europe ever saw

Budapest is yet another place to which the English took their football back in the last century. A British athletics coach, Harry Perry, began the craze at the Kispesi Athletic Club, and that became the forerunner of Honved long before the Hungarian Army took control. Hence, once Communism dissolved here, the

club reverted to the name Kispest Honved. But memories in sports are built on flesh and blood and movement, and not by stadiums or associations. And the Magical Magyars of the early 1950s became the pupils who destroyed the myth of invincibility about their tutors. With Serenc Puskas, now 66 and recently returned to Budapest, the Hungarian team of that era had a captain, a maestro, and an astonishingly

portly figure. And around him players such as Zolton Czibor, Sandor Kocsis and Jozsf Bozsic. They bamboozled the English masters of the day. In 1953, those Hungarians destroyed the English at Wembley, scoring 6 goals to 3. It was the first time England had ever lost in its shrine.

Within a year, Hungary enticed England to Buda-pest, and beat that team, 7-1. The shock to the whole of the soccer world, the humiliation of England, became

lost in statistics as the Magyars won 43 of 51 matches against foreign opposition between 1950 and 1955.

Puskas & Co. had the skill and improvisation of the Latin, and were prepared to find enough of the runming and the effort of the British style to overcome all. But with the Hungarian uprising of 1956, the team disintegrated, the music in Budapest became a memo-

ry, and the history of the European game changed.
Puskas, who was to score 83 goals in 84 international matches, did so despite a body that was often overweight because of a penchant for beer, and did so with his left foot. Yet, because of his strength of personality, his wiles and his improvisation, he helped to shake the rigidity from the game. And when he left Honved for Real Madrid, it coincided with the first years of the Champions' Cup. Puskas and the Argentine Alfredo di Stefano, playing in the white shirts of the Spanish club, made that team one of the greatest in memory. So it was Real Madrid which dominated the first half-decade of European club football, and Honved which looked on from afar, never knowing what might have been had the team stayed together here where it was born.

HONVED TODAY is no longer a world beater.

True, it won the Hungarian league championship.

But in common with most clubs in Eastern Europe, if it had any Puskases in embryo they would soon be sold to the likes of Manchester United to prevent bankruptcy from snuffing out soccer teams living from hand to

mouth across the former Soviet Union. It will be the Hungarians who, Wednesday night, come wide-eyed and hopeful of catching glimpses of the overseas stars who, across all barriers, are household names. The wandering of Puskas is reflected in Manchester United's French forward, the enigmatic Eric Cantona. Last Saturday. Cantona did something quite breathtaking, something with the improvisational skill Hungarians especially covet.

Playing in London, he sensed that Chelsea's Demitri Kharin was out of position after the Russian goalkeeper rushed foreward to head the ball clear. With his back to the goal, fully 45 meters out, Cantona

the underside of the crossbar. Only that piece of

woodwork deprived Cantona of the goal of a lifetime. He, together with Ryan Giggs, United's 19-year-old Welsh winger, are the special talents that Hungarians will watch on Wednesday, and think of that time when they had such astonishing individuals.

"Just as a virtuoso can play the piano in an auditorium in Tokyo or a village in Spain," Puskas once said,
"a great footballer will display his talents in any
setting." And that musical analogy echoed down the
years last Saturday when Cantona, speaking not of his talent but in in admiration of a resurgent 35-year-old English opponent, Glenn Hoddle, observed that "he was the first Mozart of football."

Like Cantona, like Puskas, indeed like Mozart, the artists of the sporting field often travel on a single name. On Wednesday, Romario, the irascible but prolific Brazilian goal scorer, will make his debut in the European Champions' Cup for his latest club, Barcelona, as it takes on Dynamo Kiev in Ukraine.

The \$4 million Barcelona invested in Romario demonstrates the high expectation surrounding this diminutive but inspirational striker. And no sooner will his plane land on the return from Kiev, than he will sprint across the airport in Barcelona and catch another light to Rio de Janiero.

He is wanted, at long, long last, by his own nation, Brazil. The Brazilians, who never before have failed to reach a World Cup finals, has to at least draw against Uruguay in Sunday's final match of the South American qualifiers. Late, but perhaps not too late, Carlos Alberto Parreira has acquiesced to public demand, and to logic, and called up the best goal scorer from Brazil. His objections to Romario concern a lack of discipline and the accusation that Romario's independent spirit does not help team harmony. Team harmony? It comes, the old Hungarians will tell you, from the life blood of virtuosos.

#### **SCOREBOARD**

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MONTREAL—Stened Voteri Bure, right wing, to 2-year contract.

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### **SIDELINES**

### Whitaker Protests Draw

NEW YORK (AP) - Pernell Whitaker's promoter, Dan Duva, said Tuesday he had protested his fighter's controversial draw with Julio Cesar Chavez based on remarks by British judge Mickey Vann about Friday 📕

night's WBC welterweight title bout.

Vann was quoted by The Star of London as saying
"I deducted a point from Whitaker for an appallingly
low blow in the sixth round. The referee did not issue an official warning, but I took the point away from

Referee Joe Cortez of Las Vegas, the only official permitted under the rules to take a point away, did not nalize Whitaker. The one-point difference on Vann's scorecard would have given Whitaker a majority decision.

#### Sevilla Blocks Maradona

SEVILLE (Reuters) — The Spanish club Sevilla said Tuesday it had blocked the transfer of Diego

Maradona to Newell's Old Boys of Argentina,
The team's vice-president, José Maria del Nido, said Sevilla had refused to facilitate the move because of Maradona's failure to fulfil his contract last year and the economic damage he caused the club.

• The Cup Winners' Cup match between Hajduk Split and Ajax Amsterdam, ordered moved from Croatia because of renewed fighting between government forces and Serb rebels, will be played Friday evening in Slovenia. UEFA said Tuesday.

#### For the Record

Makoto Suzuki of Japan, an 18-year-old pitcher, has been signed by the Seattle Mariners to a minorleague contract.

Patrick Roy, the goaltender who led the Montreal Canadiens to the Stanley Cup title in June, signed if four-year contract worth \$16 million to become one of the NHL's highest-paid players.

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#### Quotable

• Peter Gammons of the Boston Globe on Nolan Ryan: "He has been around so long, he was once on "The Ed Sullivan Show."

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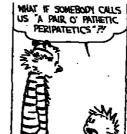




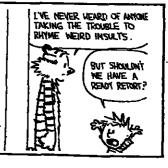


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# SPORTS BASEBALL Comparison of the control of the c

### **Griffey and Gonzalez** In Good Company Yankees Gain in AL East

The Associated Press

Ken Griffey Jr. and Juan Gonzalez aren't 24 years old yet, and already have reached marks set by some of baseball's greats,

Griffey's sacrifice fly in the first aning Monday night put him in the record book with Gonzalez and Hall of Famers Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams, Ty Cobb and Mel Ott as the only players to record three consecutive 100-RBI seasons before their 24th birthday.

Gonzalez hit a career-high 44th home run, one more than last season, as the Texas Rangers routed the visiting Cleveland Indians, 12-1, to close to 21/2 games of the

#### AL ROUNDUP

American League West-leading Chicago White Sox. The White Sox lost at Kansas City, now in third place, five games back.

There were changes in the AL East, too. New York won in Milvaukee to move into second place. 1/2 games behind the idle Toronto Blue Jays, while the Baltimore Orioles dropped to 2 games out with a

"A lot of guys don't get to the major leagues until they're 21, and I had the advantage coming in at 19," said Griffey, who also hit his 41st homer as the visiting Seattle Mariners beat the California An-

He will be 24 on Nov. 21. Rookie Rich Amaral's three hits paced a 14-hit Seattle attack that nade it easy for Chris Bosio to win his fifth straight decision. The right-hander allowed four hits in ight innings, striking out six.

Rob Ducey, who has 43 fewer homers than Gonzalez this year, got the Rangers started with a basesempty shot in the third inning. Gonzalez, who had three hits,

added a two-run homer later in the inning. He turns 24 on Oct. 16 and now has 113 RBIs. Rafael Palmeiro added a sixth-

inning homer, his 36th, and Dean Palmer hit a bases-empty homer in the seventh, his 29th. It was the first time this season

that Gonzalez, Palmeiro and Palmer had homered in the same game. But their 109 are the most hit by three players on the same team since Henry Aaron, Darrell Evans and Dave Johnson hit 124 for At-

Kevin Brown won his third con-secutive start, pitching a six-hitter for his major league-tying 11th

Yankees 3, Brewers 1: Jimmy Key matched a career high with his zinc.

17th victory, holding Milwaukee to four hits in six imnings, as New York regained second place. The Yankees scored twice in the third when Wade Boggs and Dan-

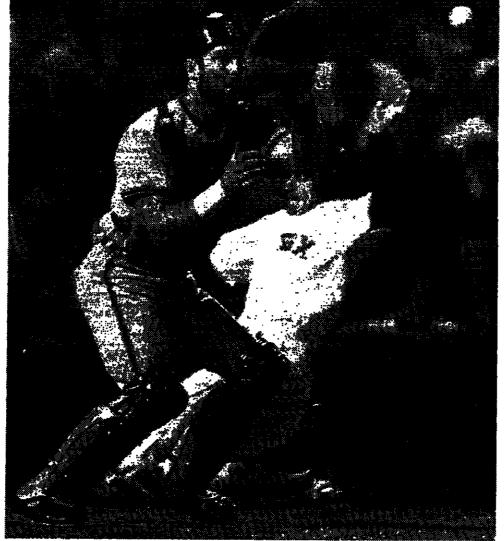
ny Tartabull hit RBI singles. Lee Smith got the last four outs for his first save for New York and the 399th of his career. It was his 44th save overall this year.

Red Sox 6, Orioles 4: Boston got four walks and three hits in a fourrun sixth, canceling a 4-0 lead built on homers by Harold Baines and Chris Hoiles. The Red Sox had lost live straight at home.

Tim Nachring, who has 15 hits in his last 29 at-bats, gave Boston a 5-4 lead with a two-run single. Brad Pennington replaced Mark Williamson and walked Mo Vaughn and Rob Deer, making it 6-4.

Royals 9, White Sox 0: Kevin Appier held Chicago to two hits in seven innings as Kansas City won-its fifth straight with the help of a three-run homer by Felix Jose. Mark Gubicza finished up, allowing two hits, as he and Appier handed the White Sox their 13th

shutout this season. Athletics 7, Twins 2: Dave Winfield got his 2,997th major league hit, a home run leading off the seventh at the Metrodome, but it was not nearly enough to beat Oak-



Catcher Chris Holles got the ball too late to tag Bob Melvin as the Orioles blew a 4-0 lead in Boston.

### **Slumping Giants Choked** By Cubs' 4 Double Plays

The shump-ridden San Francisco

Giants have found a new way to lose: the double play. The team that leads the National League in double plays hit into four against the Chicago Cubs, who dealt the Giants their sixth straight

loss, 6-5, Monday in San Francisco. "The double plays were killing us every time we got a rally going or something going," said the Giants' manager, Dusty Baker. "We hit the ball hard all night long. We

couldn't find the hole we needed." Shortstop Jose Vizcaino started three of the double plays and drove in four runs for the Cubs, who have won 9 of their last 11. Despite getting two homers from Robby Thompson, the Giants dropped 1½ games behind the idle Atlanta Braves in the West in losing for the 13th time in 19 games.

The Cubs choked off San Francisco threats in the fourth, seven and eighth innings with double plays. And in their last two games, the Giants have hit into seven while not turning one themselves.

For their first victory of the season at Candlestick Park, the Cubs broke open a 3-2 game with three runs in the seventh off reliever Kevin Rogers. A double by Derrick off the eighth with a double and Will May scored Ryne Sandberg from game with a dislocated finger on his right hand after colliding with

catcher Kirt Manwaring at the

Sammy Sosa was intentionally walked, and the runners moved up on a wild pitch. With two out, Steve Buechele was walked to load the bases, and Vizcaino came through with a double into the left-field corner, scoring two runs.

Baker said there seemed to be nothing he could tell his players to bring them out of their funk. "What's going to get you out of it is some timely hits and some key

#### **NL ROUNDUP**

plays and some pitches at the right time," he said. "You can talk all you want to, but it's on the field where you're going to get out of it."

Besides getting the double plays,
the Cubs thwarted the Giants by picking off two runners with fewer than two outs. But it was the twin killings that really hurt.

In the fourth, Matt Williams and Barry Bonds hit one-out singles, but Willie McGee grounded into a double play. Bonds and McGee started the seventh with back-toback singles, but this time Bonds was able to score when Royce Clayton hit into a double play.

Clark followed one out later with a one-out single, but once again the inning ended with a double play, Phillies 5, Mets 0: Lenny Dykstra and Darren Daulton hit RBI singles while Tommy Greene, who had had six no-decisions in his seven previous starts, scattered six hits in New York.

The first-place Phillies picked up a half-game on idle Montreal in the NL East race and now lead the Expos by 5½ games.

Greene struck out six and walked one in his seventh complete game and second shutout of the

Earlier, the Mets' third baseman, Bobby Bonilla, underwent successful arthroscopic surgery on rup-tured ligaments in his left shoulder. He is expected to be at full strength

Padres 4, Dodgers 3: Phil Plantier hit his 30th homer of the season in the 11th to give San Diego, playing at home, its victory over Los

by spring training.

 The game between the Hous-ton Astros and Colorado Rockies was postponed after the metropolitan Denver area received from one to three inches of snow, with forecasts calling for additional snow-

The temperature fell below freezing during the night but was forecast to climb into the 60s Tuesday. The high temperature Sunday in Denver was 92 degrees Fahrenheit

### Karts: The Big-Time Little Machines

By Brad Spurgeon International Herald Tribune

PARIS - Alain Prost, Ayrton Senna, Michael Schumacher, Riccardo Patrese, Alessandro Zanardi, Jean Alesi and Michael Andretti have something in com-

mon besides driving Formula One races. They were all champion go-kart racers. Yes, those little four-wheelers powered by lawn mower engines that have become, pecially in Europe, a sort of training

school for future Grand Prix drivers. It's a sport that, if not well known on sports pages, has its own world championship, which, with drivers from 24 countries, begins Friday and runs through Sunday in Laval, France.

Patrese won the world championship in 1974. Senna was runner-up in 1979 and '80. Prost was the French and European champion in '73, and the French champion in '74 and '75. Zanardi was the European champion in '87, while Schumacher still drives karts for fun when he's not

to learn racing," Schumacher said in a June interview with Top Karting magaThe karting world championship, which debuted in 1964, is run in a different country every year. This week they are revving up at Laval, about 280 kilometers west of Paris. Laval is also about 80 kilometers west of Le Mans, which in addition to its other endurance race holds an annual

The origin of karting, as it is now universally known to its adherents, is in dispute. Some say it sprang into existence in the 1950s after a bunch of lawn mower engines were mistakenly sent to a U.S. Air Force base, where the airmen welded together some tubular frames, stuck on tires and the engines, and were saved from mowing for another day.

1957 of the Go Kart Club of America, which set the first standards for racing, the sport was taken more seriously when it came to Europe, Jean-Marie Balestre, credited with introducing karting to France in 1960, later became the head of the Interna-

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and are truly international. Only one American has ever become world champion. That was Lake Speed, in 1978. He later went on to a career in NASCAR, both racing and running his own team. As sports go, karting is as democratic

as any, open to anyone mad enough to save up allowance money. In some categories, karts can cost no more than about \$2,000. On the other hand, it is serious business: In the 250cc-motor class, karts hit speeds of 125 miles per hour (200 kph) and are raced on automobile tracks. Even the main categories use 100cc and 125cc two-stroke engines for racing at about 65 mph. In the 125cc category, the karts sometimes even have gearboxes.



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The biggest international event of the season is the world championship. But, across Europe, races of many other categories and kinds are held year- round and a Grand Prix circuit travels from country to country.

karting were at an incredibly high level." Schumaker said, "maybe the most diffi-

In France alone, there are more than 13,000 licensed drivers — compared to fewer than 10,000 in North America and 280 clubs, 17 regional leagues, 90 permanent circuits and 200 occasional ones, with about 400 races a year.

tracks, about 380 races are held each year. Following the world championships, real world champion is.

the next biggest karting event of '93 will take place Dec. 18-19 at Bercy stadium in Paris. Called the Elf Master Karting Indoor, it will be a settling of accounts for the world's best Formula One drivers. Prost, Senna, Patrese, Schumacher and identically fitted technologically.

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### Dead in Miami

By Russell Baker NEW YORK — In Miami on Wednesday a visitor from Germany began his Florida vacation by being shot to death driving to his hotel. It happened after a van rammed his car from the rear a few times, apparently as a signal for him to pull over and be robbed.

To Florida's credit, the visitor had been warned of this local custom. While the ramming was going on, his wife was reading him instructions from an official pamphlet on how to save your valuables and possibly your life in this very

The instructions said: Do not pull over. Uwe-Wilhelm Rakebrand, for that was the visitor's name, followed the advice and did not pull over. This must have vexed the van's occupants exceedingly. for it pulled alongside Rakebrand and one of those shot him to death.

Florida has lately had a had press suggesting that foreign tour-ists are especially attractive to the Sunshine State's more murderous felons, yet only eight such tourists have been killed in the past year. Yes, "only eight" sounds callous when we speak of the murdered. but by American murder standards eight is a trifling number.

Frank Zahn, manager of a Berlin agency specializing in travel to Florida, was quoted in The New York Times saying, "There is almost no country in the world where a tourist is absolutely safe."

In short, no big deal, FBI statistics for 1000 here out this incoming

tics for 1990 bear out this insouciant view. Thus, Florida with a population of 13 million had a murder rate of 10.7 people per 100,000. which comes to 1,391 victims. This was modest carnage compared with New York's. There people were being murdered at the rate of 14.5 per 100,000.

This gave New York, with its population of 18 million, some 2,600 murders, nearly twice as many as Florida. This is arresting only because New Yorkers, like any Americans doped on too television melodrama, tend to think of Florida as the home office of the modern gunslinger.

Actually, that distinction probaoly belongs to Washington D.C., where the murder rate for 1990 was

77.8 per 100,000. There, too, a foreign tourist was murdered a few months ago. He was English. Riding the subway, he apparently missed his stop, got off in an unfa-miliar neighborhood and was

found murdered in an alley. In Washington it is amazingly easy to get shot, often fatally, for deeds far less outrageous than getting off at the wrong subway stop. Just the other day a youthful pistoiero was in the news there for the more or less random shooting of five people in a dance hall on account of someone's bumping him on the dance floor.

Washington may be the nation's capital, but better not let the dance floor feel your leather unless you're as smooth as Fred Astaire. While eschewing the dance in the nation's capital, better keep your radio turned off, too.

Another Washington case shows why: Car One stops at a traffic light. Windows open. Radio playing inside. Car Two pulls alongside. Passenger in Car Two aims pistol at driver of Car One, a complete stranger, and kills him. Why? "I didn't like his music," murderous passenger tells police.

A high school football player from a neighborhood famous for shooting told The Washington Post the other day: "The biggest thing everybody is looking for is respect on the streets. It isn't money. They are just trying to make sure you respect them. People are just pushing each other to the maximum to get respect. And the maximum is death." We can only speculate whether Rakebrand's Miami murderers thought his refusal to pull over constituted a lack of respect deserving death. It seems likely, since after murdering him they

didn't pause for robbery. It's a sign of the American de-cline that eight tourists murdered in Florida capture national headlines when the thousands and thousands of Americans routinely murdered cause such little solash.

It reverses the old joke about American narcissism ("Two Americans Injured as Asia Earthquake Kills 200,000"). When it comes to murder, it's now Americans who

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### In a Small Room: A Painter's Last Hours

By Stephens Broening

mai Flerald Tribune UVERS-SUR-OISE, France - Adeline Ravoux was A Only 12 when Vincent van Gogh died in an upstairs room at her father's inn here, having exhibited what the painter's friend Dr. Paul Gachet called "the sovereign disdain that he felt for life." Gachet and the other village physician, Joseph Mazery, judged that medical interven-tion was useless for the gunshot wound in van Gogh's stomach and, besides, Vincent was determined to do it again if they gave him the chance.

So, for nearly 30 hours the Ravoux family kept a death watch for their favorite boarder. Dreadful for the father, Arthur Gustave Ravoux, 42, because he had lent van Gogh the pistol. Horrible for the girl, because Monsieur Vincent was always kind to her and had had her sit for a portrait with a nice blue background. Her recollections, summoned many years later, provide important details about the painter's last days, days that for her had im-

Van Gogh spent only a short time in Auvers. But from an artistic standpoint it was almost obsessively produc-tive. Seventy canvases in 70 days. Reclining on one elbow alongside the languid river Oise. Anvers offered the peace and northern light that van Gogh wanted after two and a half years in Provence, the last 12 months of which he was confined to an insane asylum. Camille Pissarro had been right to recommend Auvers, for its beauty and for Dr. Gachet, who as a collector (and small-gauge painter) would appreciate and encourage van Gogh's work and who as a physician might comprehend Vincent's vast

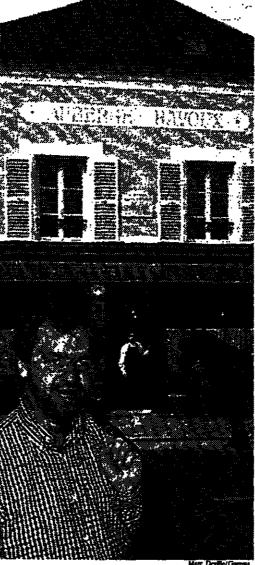
About what pushed Vincent to suicide then, at the age of 37, there are a dozen hypotheses. He himself never said. The most he told his brother Théo, in whose arms he would die, was, "This is how I would like to go." As for Adeline, she was concerned at the time less with motive than with the scary groans from the third-floor chamber and the rude visit of two gendarmes, who insisted on questioning the suspect. Vincent had broken the law by trying to kill himself. His calm defense was, "Whatever I did is nobody's business. I am free to do what I want with my body." All this while sitting up in bed smoking his

Ravoux volunteered that it was he who had furnished the pistol because of Vincent's complaint that flocks of crows were a distraction as he painted in the fields above the village. (The pistol, never found, thus may have played a part in the brooding double-square canvas that some think may have been his last and somehow prefigured his death: "Crows Over the Wheat Field.") Van Gogh declined to corroborate Rayoux's confession.

Vincent had been a model lodger up to then. He rose at daybreak and was usually in bed by 9. With the 150 francs a month that Théo provided, Vincent kept current on his room and board, a cost of 3.50 francs a day. In contrast to the dissolution of the Paris and Arles years, he barely

drank. He was punctual for meals. So his missed dinner on Sunday July 27, 1890, was all the more remarkable. Shortly after 9, at nightfall, van Gogh returned to the inn, staggering a little. On the outside of his buttoned jacket he held one hand to his stomach as with the other he grasped the rail of the billiard

What's the matter? Ravoux asked. "Oh, nothing. I have hurt myself." Vincent climbed the two flights of stairs to his room. The Rayouxs called Drs. Gachet and Mazery. A



Janssens in front of his Auberge Rayoux.

letter was carried to Théo in Paris, 40 kilometers (25 miles) and an hour's train ride away. "I believe it is your duty to come in the event of any complications," Gachet wrote to

Thèo arrived on the next train and afterward scarcely left his brother's side. He wrote a short letter to his wife "How I wish we could give him faith in life," he said. At 1:30 in the morning of the 29th, Vincent died. The death certificate, signed by Theo, Ravoux and the mayor, Alexandre Caffin, cited no cause of death,

A coffin was made by the carpenter Vincent Levert, hastily and not well, according to Anton Hirschig, a young Dutch painter who had the room next to Vincent's in the

For the funeral the next day, the closed casket was set on the billiard table, covered by a simple white cloth and surrounded with masses of yellow blossoms. Dr. Gachet brought a bouquet of sunflowers. The walls of the inn were hung with Vincent's paintings. Because the death was a suicide, Henri Tessier, 44, the cure of Auvers, refused to let the mourners use the parish hearse. Across the river, in Méry, they found a less dogmatic priest. In mid-afternoon Vincent's body was carted uphill to the cemetery amid the wheat fields he loved.

Théo was inconsolable. He outlived his brother by barely six months. In 1914 his remains were brought from Holland and reburied in the Auvers cemetery, next to

As for the Ravouxs, they left Auvers in 1893. Ravoux took with him two paintings that van Gogh had given him: the portrait of Adeline and the Auvers town hall, which is just across the street from the inn. (A couple of years later. Rayoux sold both of them, for a total of 40 francs, to some foreigners passing through.)

The inn stayed open pretty much as it was, more of a place for townspeople to congregate than a shrine. Now and then artists held exhibitions there. People could visit van Gogh's room, furnished with an iron bed, a small table and a chair, but there wasn't much of a fuss. The room, whitewashed when Vincent inhabited it, fell into relative decay. Its walls became mottled with age.

Then in 1986, Dominique-Charles Janssens, a Belgian businessman operating on a recent passion for van Gogh, bought the inn for 3 million francs. Janssens has invested several times that sum to restore the inn, with a sharp eve for detail, authenticity and taste.

Now, after seven years, the Auberge Rayoux will reopen to the public on Monday. The main room on the ground floor will seat 40 for two- and three-course lunches and dinners at period tables and chairs. A bright landscape mural, uncovered beneath several layers of paint, is the main decoration. In the courtyard behind the inn, Janssens has had built what he calls a guinguette that will serve brasserie-style meals; it can seat 100.

Upstairs on the second floor, Janssens has installed a book shop, stocked with books and posters having to do with van Gogh and art. But he also will offer books on wine, as a reminder that Rayoux was principally a wine merchant.

On the third floor, Janssens has done a minimalist restoration of Vincent's room. It is small - 3.2 meters (10.5 feet) along one side, 2.86 meters along the other and dark (with a single skylight window, about twice the size of a telephone book, in the slanting roof). It is easy to understand why Vincent preferred to work outdoors. The walls have been preserved in the state of dilapidation they were found, even to the point of injecting silicone to stabilize the cracks. The furniture has been removed allowing the viewer to fill the chamber with his imagina-

Next door, however, Hirschig's room has been furnished. And next to that is a small auditorium where a 9minute video on van Gogh's time in Auvers will be displayed to the five visitors at a time who will be allowed to mount the stairs.

The entrance fee to the inn is 25 francs; for students and senior citizens, 15 francs. Children younger than 12 are admitted free. Van Gogh's room, the video display and bookstore are open seven days a week from 10 A.M. to 6 P.M. The restaurants are open until 11 P.M.

#### PEOPLE

#### Jackson Tours Kremlin And Moscow Shops

Is Michael Jackson thinking of changing his look? In Moscow for a concert on Wednesday, the singer toured the Kremlin museum and then went shopping, buying a bronze 19th-century statue, several paintings, books and a Russian Army officer's winter coat.

William Kennedy, Pulitzer-prize winning novelist and the author most recently of "Very Old Bones." has been made an officer of the Order of Arts and Letters by French Culture Minister Jacques Toubon, п

All the anticipation of a weekend wedding for John F. Kennedy Je and Daryl Hannah was for naugh. Rumors were rampant that the purported groom's mother, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, was going to hold a lavish reception at the Long Island, New York, home of his aunt, Lee Radziwill, but it hasn't happened. Another Kennedy is keeping the ball rolling, however. According to The Boston Globe. Edward Kennedy Jr., 31, the son of Senator Edward M. Kennedy, will be married Oct. 10 to Katherine Anne Gershman, a psychiatrist.

Actor William Hurt's wife, Heidi, wants out, and the divorce proceedings may end up being as nasty as Hurt's 1989 palimony battle with Sandra Jennings. Huri already had hopped over to Heidi when his battle with Jennings began, and in 1982 he left the actress Mary Bet. Hurt after telling her that Heidi was about to have his child. Now rumor has it that the actress Sandrine Bounsire is expecting Hurt's child next month. Stay tuned. П

Robert McC. Adams, 67, is resigning as head of the Smithsonian Institution next year to return to university research.

Patrick Sabatier, a French television personality, was given a fouryear suspended prison sentence and fined 250,000 francs (\$50,000) for concealing 5 million francs in personal income.

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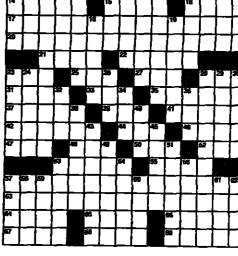
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